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NAT FLEISCHER

Speaks Out!!!

RING fatalities or serious injuries always arouse public ire and lead to new demands for the abolition of boxing. It seems that it is easier to condemn the savagery of pugilism than that of any other sport. Boxing *is a sport,* as much so as any other contact sport. When tragedy occurs the cry "let's kill boxing", extends around the world.

The reason for such concerted cry is obvious. Never before had television viewers, estimated at 14,000,000, seen a champion pounded unmercilessly into unconsciousness under a terrific barrage of at least two dozen punches while resting helplessly against the ropes in a neutral corner, head outside between the upper and middle ropes. It was that scene brought into the home of millions that left the impression that brutality at its worst was being committed in the name of legalized boxing.

The closeup of Paret being hammered into a coma was bad enough without the re-running by the TV monitors of the savagery in slow motion. That was absolutely unnecessary.

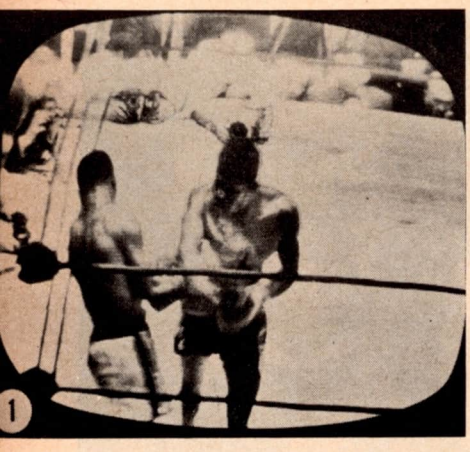
Now let's face the issue. Boxing is a hazardous vocation, but no more so than many others. Those who follow it professionally know what to expect. There is a calculated risk they must face. They accept it as did Paret because boxing gives them an opportunity, if proficient, to gain gold and glory. The stakes are high and they take their chances. People who work at hazardous jobs do so for the money they can make.

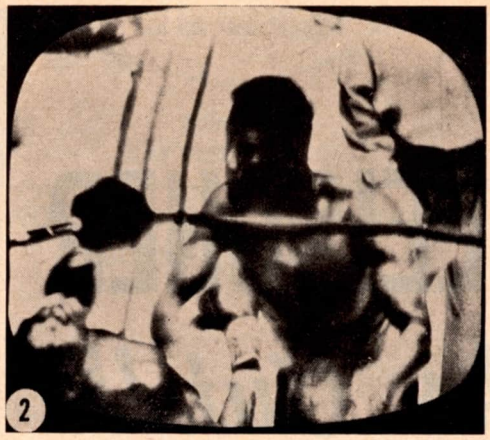
The auto racer defies the Grim Reaper when he steps on the gas to reach 150 miles or more an hour. The test pilot faces death every time he takes up a new plane. The steel worker daily risks his life as he clings to a rope attached to a beam being raised thirty or more stories above the ground. The brick layer works on a scaffold high up not knowing when a slip may bring on death. The recent fall of a famous boxer, Johnny Ryff, illustrates that point. Ironically he and Paret occupied the same room at the Roosevelt Hospital.

As long as boxing is legalized, we will continue to face tragedies because it will always remain a hazardous sport. Compared to others, its record for deaths is far below that of football or auto racing.

In 1960, 27 football players were killed in the United States. In 1961, 39 died, among them 28 high school boys, six collegians, one an Annapolis player, one serviceman and three sandlot gridders. This terrible record was for our country only and within a space of less than three months, while in boxing, worldwide, only ten fatalities were listed during the entire year.

No one wants to see an athlete, no matter what the sport, maimed or killed. But a tragedy in boxing should not be treated any different than that of an aviator, a sand-hog, an astronaut, test pilot, auto racer or a driver of a nitro-glycerine truck who, if his vehicle strikes a bump, may be bumped to His Maker. Contact sports have a calculated risk.

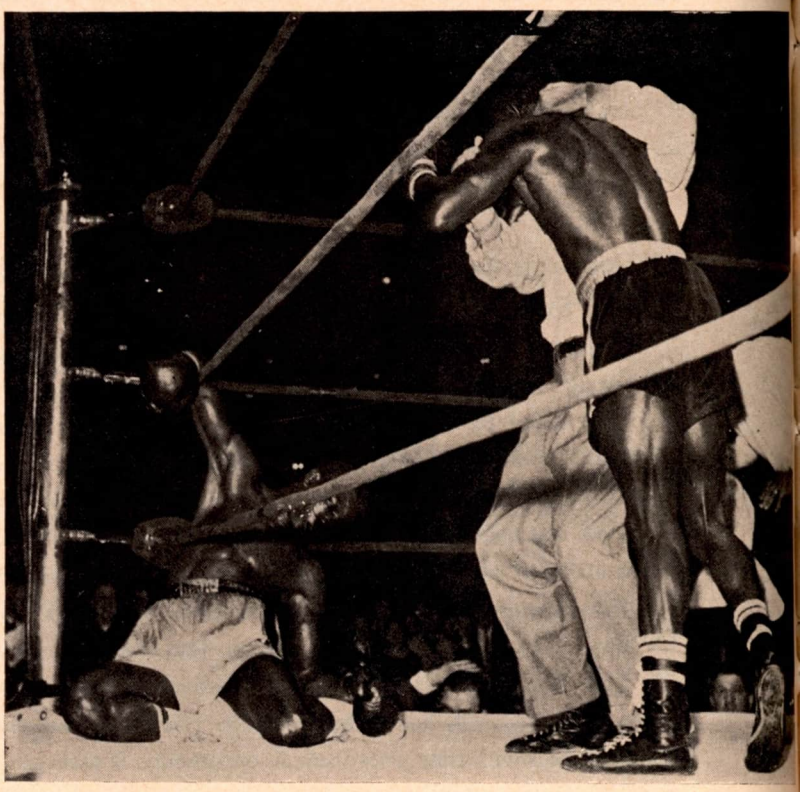




This sequence of photos is the view of the knockout of Emile Griffith that the armchair spectators had at home via the television camera.

A Man Gone Beserk

By NAT FLEISCHER



Referee Ruby Goldstein pulls Griffith away as Benny Paret sinks slowly to the canvas and the bout is stopped at 2:09 of the twelfth round.

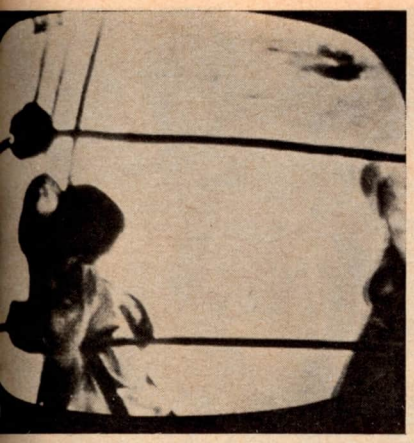
An Infuriated Griffith After Insults By Paret Goes Wild To Win Welterweight Title By Destroying Cuban

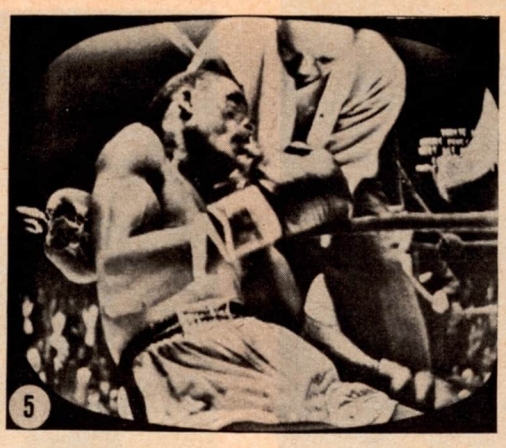
A GRUDGE FIGHT that turned a world championship match into mayhem, with death hovering over the deposed king, added to the recent woes of boxing. The unmerciful beating meted out to Benny "Kid" Paret of Cuba by Emile Griffith of the Virgin Islands, brought about a world-wide movement to kill boxing.

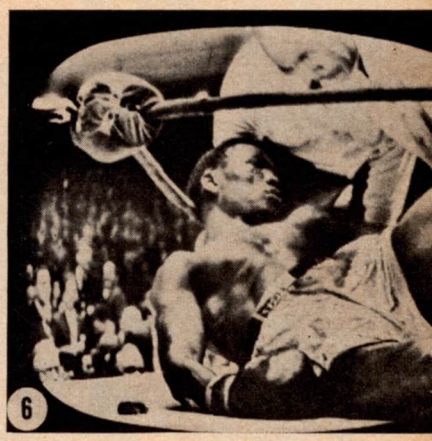
Little did Griffith know when he relentlessly bombarded the defending champion in Madison Square Garden that the barrage which rendered his opponent defenseless and sent him to the canvas in a coma, would create an international furore and place the sport in its most precarious state in many years.

Griffith regained the throne he had lost to his victim in the same arena on September 31, 1961, but he paid a heavy price for his triumph. The headaches and heartbreak he suffered are relentless.

Griffith couldn't have been more bitter in defeat. When he learned what he thought was a great victory had been turned into attacks on his sportsmanship and the viciousness with which he had meted







out punishment would result in the death of his opponent, he realized the cost.

Paret came into the battle as the underdog, yet the fight was far from one-sided.

In fact, Griffith was fortunate in securing the sixth round in which Paret dropped him for an eight count. The eleventh, which was very close, some reporters tabbed even but I gave to Paret. This would clearly indicate that minutes before the tragedy there was nothing to show that the champion would soon be on his way to a brain operation.

Griffith stopped Paret in 2.09 of the twelfth after one of the most amazing turns to viciousness seen in a ring in recent years. A calm, ordinary start, suddenly developed into a tigerish, fiery volley that didn't end until Ruby Goldstein, the referee, rushed forth and threw his arms around Griffith. The helpless Paret slid down the sides of the ropes.

His ability to take a clout on the jaw and his recuperative powers failed the Cuban Kid with the Iron Chin, once the savage assault of Emile got under way. In seconds, Paret was out on his feet.

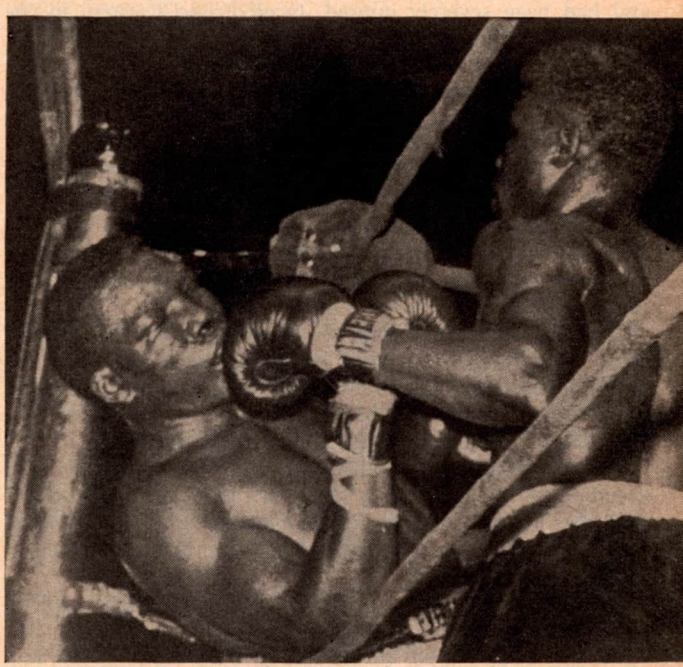
The only thing that kept him from crashing to the canvas were the ropes against which he was leaning. In attempting to get out of range of the flaying fists of the enemy, Paret found himself with head out of the ring and body between the top and middle ropes.

He was helpless as the uppercuts poured in at so fast a rate one couldn't keep tab on the number. His eyes were closed; his mouth was open. He was resting between the ropes. Both his gloves were raised but useless to him as volley after volley effectively reached chin and head—an unmerciful beating. The carnage was not ended until Paret had been totally disabled, a human wreck.

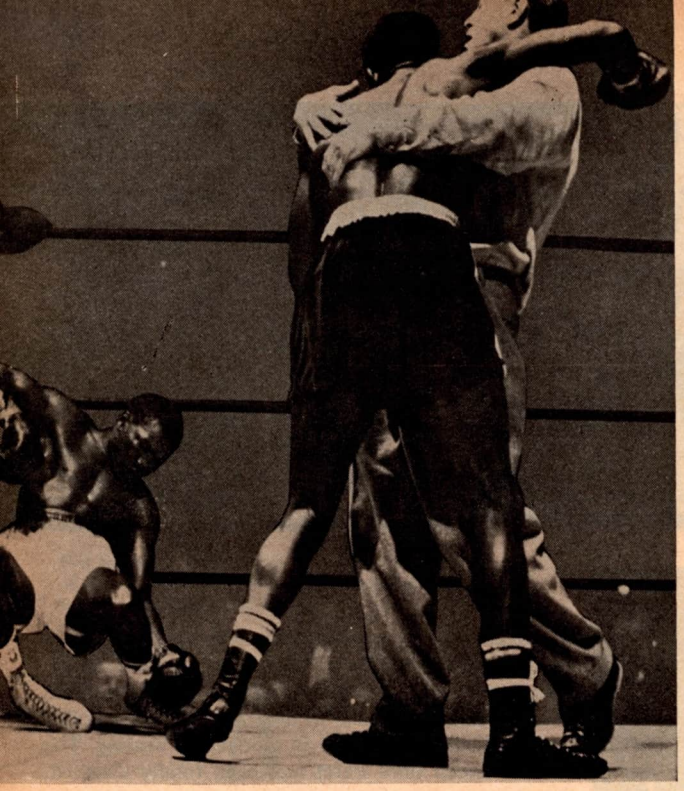
There was bitter feeling between the fighters who previously had split two decisions. In this rubber match each was out to administer as severe a beating to the other as was possible. They said so following their little fracas at weigh-in time and they followed the plan through from the sound of the opening gong to the tragic ending.

Statements detrimental to Griffith's manhood made by Paret and his followers, steamed up the grudge fight and undoubtedly were the cause of the vicious finish.

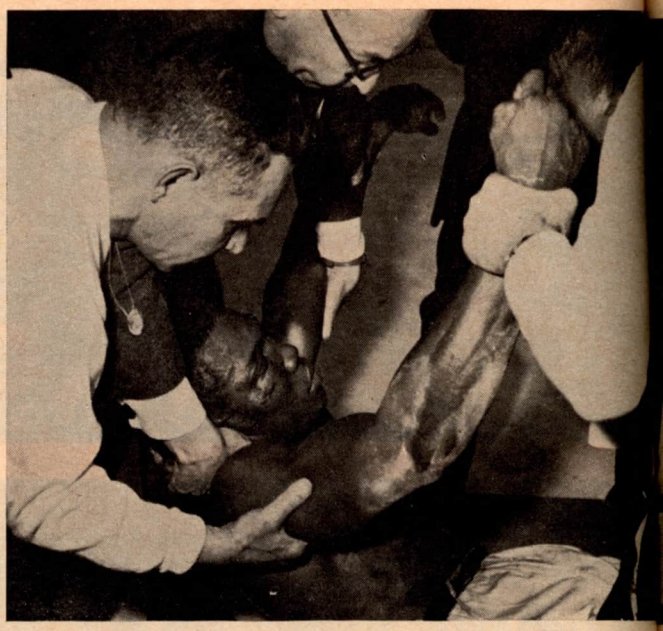
The lop-sided odds—as high as 3 to 1, had Griffith the favorite. This was due to the severe punishment Paret had received in his fight for the N.B.A. middleweight title in which Gene Fullmer retained the crown by a knockout in the tenth



The controversial punches landed on Paret by Griffith are clear in this photo showing Benny's head and shoulder outside of the ring ropes as Emile slams away with both hands to the head.



Emile all wound up in his anxiety to regain the title had to be forcibly restrained by Goldstein when the referee stopped the fight.



Trying to revive Paret following the kayo are his trainer Joe DeMaria, Doctor Alexander Schiff and his manager Manuel Alfaro.

Paret was removed from the ring on a stretcher and after being worked on in his dressing room, was rushed to Roosevelt Hospital where he was to die ten days after the fight.

round on December 9 of last year.

In that bout the Cuban was so far outclassed by the strong and tireless Fullmer, that many experts wondered why his manager, Manny Alfaro, had considered the match and why he had arranged for Paret to defend his welter crown against Griffith so soon after the December 9th defeat. Fullmer softened Paret for Griffith.

The Garden tragedy was similar to that of Ernie Schaaf who less than four months after he had been stopped by Max Baer and had been severely injured, faced Primo Carnera in the Garden and died shortly after the Italian had stopped him.

For Paret it was the third time he had been halted within a year. He had been knocked out only once before, in 1956, at Santa Clara, Cuba, by Rolando Rodriguez.

Griffith, fired to an intense pitch to score a knockout and as he said, "teach Paret a lesson", swept forth at the opening gong and on my score card and those of most reporters, took the first five rounds. In the fourth and fifth rounds he hurt the hard hitting Cuban. Emile had a big margin in the fourth and continued pounding away at the champion in the next round, pressing the attack.

Then came the big surprise—Griffith, cocky and full of fight, left himself open for a left hook late in the sixth and Emile hit the canvas on all fours. He looked surprised as Ruby Goldstein counted over him.

At eight he reached his feet and resumed the battle.

The next round was another bad one for the challenger who couldn't get out of the way of Paret's left hooks and he lost that also. But from there on until the eleventh, which could have gone either way, so close was it, the fighting was all in Griffith's favor.

The pair traded punches in mid-ring in the eighth and in the following session, Emile continued to press hard, box better and carry a more effective sting to his blows, giving him the edge in each. The pace by now was somewhat slackened, but at no time did the defending champion display any weakness or was there any indicating he had been severely hurt.

Paret, rushing forth, landed a low blow for which he was warned. It was one of many fouls committed in this rough battle by each and for which six warnings had been issued yet no penalty was inflicted on either, though Ruby in the tenth told Paret, "another foul and you suffer a round loss."

A right to the head forced Paret to back away. He now leaped into a clinch and it was the first sign of tiring he had given. His trunks were smeared with blood as the round ended.

It was in the eleventh, which I gave to Paret, that Griffith showed signs of the heavy pace which had been set. He had lost a little of his control and Paret's followers were jubilant. Their shouts of advice came from all parts of the Garden.

Griffith gave no inkling of what was in store for the spectators as he answered the call of the twelfth round. His opponent's nose was bleeding and Emile played on it with several straight blows. Then he suddenly leaped in and caught Paret with a right to the chin. The defending champion reeled backward and Griffith quickly followed. Two more rights drove the Cuban's head through the upper strands.

Now a wild man was loose. Griffith was told by his seconds if he got Paret cornered, to keep at him for a finishing punch and he followed those instructions. The fact that the champion

Alfaro and Benny's wife Lucy wait in the corridor of the Roosevelt Hospital for some encouraging word, which never came. Benny passed away on the tenth day after the contest.

Referee Ruby Goldstein (right) talks with New York State Athletic Commission Counsel James P. Fusscas after a hearing by the commission cleared Goldstein of charges that he had not stopped the fight in time.

Mrs. Paret and Alfaro watch over Benny lying on a hospital cot following the operation that was performed on him in the vain hope to save his life.

was partly outside the ropes didn't concern the challenger. He kept pouring in blows through the upper strands without any interference from the referee.

The official count registered by the television people is listed as 21 blows, all of which landed effectively on vital points prior to the referee's interference. In the last seconds, Griffith shifted from the right hand attack to a combination of rights and lefts and the final blow was a left to the jaw. At the point of stoppage, Paret's hands were resting at his side as he slid to the canvas.

A man in a coma was quickly surrounded by doctors and officials. A stretcher was brought into the ring to take the stricken fighter to the Roosevelt Hospital. And it was that macabre scene that was highlighted twice by the television company and resulted in thousands of telegrams and letters flooding newspaper offices and The Ring headquarters. The slow motion repeat added to the gruesomeness.

Second guessing is an All-American custom. In baseball it is called Grand Stand managing; in football, Monday Morning quarter backing. In all controversial contests, no matter the sport, one finds "expert opinion", either condemning or agreeing with the official action, filling the sports pages and editorial columns.

Ruby Goldstein is one of the best referees in our country. He says he acted as he thought best until he noted Paret was unable to protect himself.

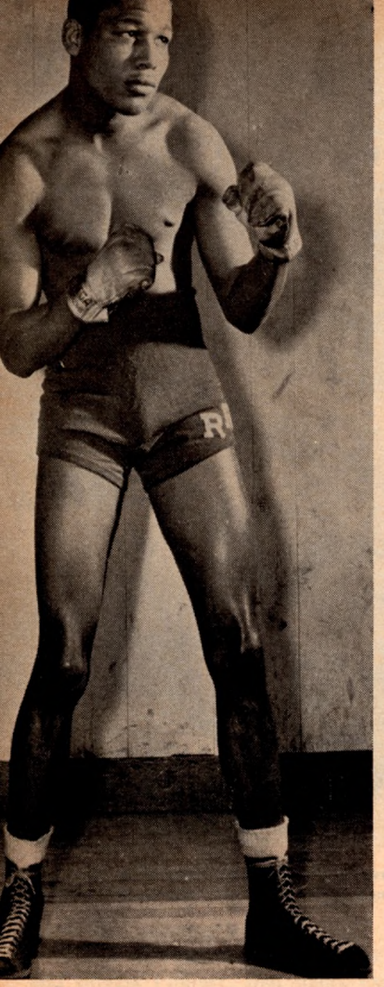
The only possible criticism The Ring can offer, is that he had an excellent alternative—to start the count over the stricken battler since Paret, under the rules of boxing, was definitely "down".

His head was outside the ropes and that constitutes a knockdown since he was in no position to return to resume the fight. That is a matter for the referee to decide. Arthur Donovan did it when Max Schmeling was holding on to the ropes and had his head over the ropes during the attack by Joe Louis in their second fight.

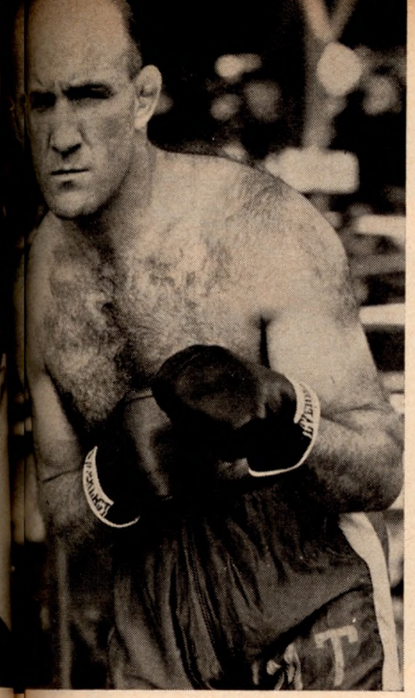
Had a count been started and had Paret been counted out, it's dollars to doughnuts that Alfaro would have protested that his fighter was prevented from making a comeback to retain his throne. Now that the shoe was on the other foot, he protested that Ruby didn't act as quickly as he should have acted, and tragedy followed. On six previous occasions, Goldstein had been severely criticized for halting an important fight too soon. Ruby definitely was not to blame for the tragedy.

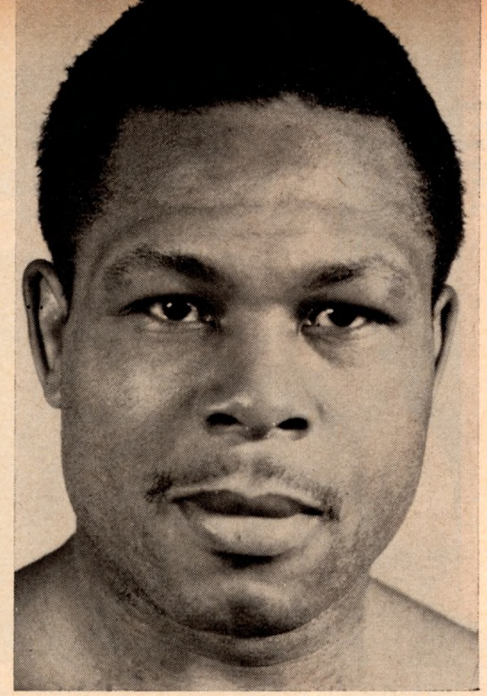
Paret received $50,000 guarantee and Griffith $10,000 plus 20 percent of the live gate and the $60,000 TV receipts.

At the end of the eleventh round Goldstein had Griffith ahead, 7-3-1, Judge Frank Forbest, 9 to 2 and Judge Rossi, 9 to 3, The Ring card was 7 to 4. I gave Paret the sixth, seventh, eighth and eleventh rounds. The remaining ones were Griffith's. Goldstein had Paret winning the sixth, eighth and ninth rounds and called the seventh even. Paret weighed 146½ to 144 for the challenger.

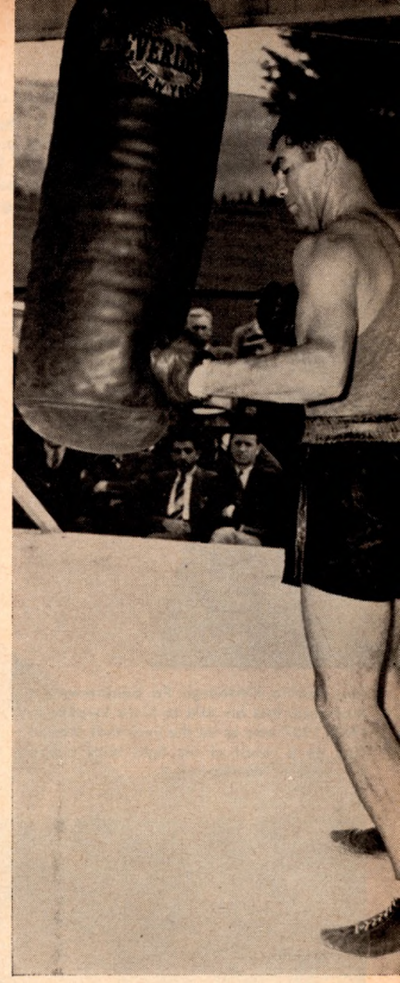


Left to right: Sugar Ray Robinson was still an amateur back in 1937; Davey Day of Chicago was a top name with top ability crowding other lightweights for Lew Ambers' title; and Sam Taub was the "Voice of Boxing" as he gave his ringside accounts from the New York Hippodrome.

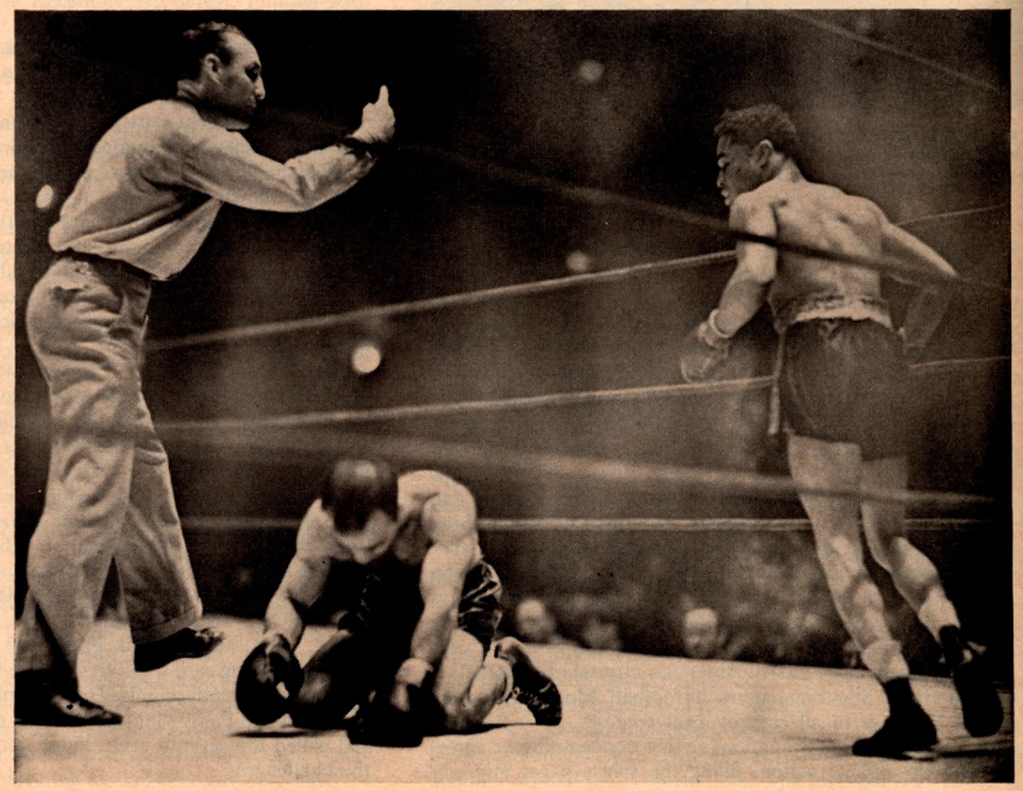




Left to Right: Marcel Thil, at 33, was winding up his tenure as middleweight champion of all the world (except New York State); he retired after his fight with Fred Apostoli leaving the title vacant; and Archie Moore was fighting for "home and board" in the year 1937; it was the year Max Schmeling lost his immediate chance at the heavyweight title when Jim Braddock failed to show up for their scheduled meeting in Long Island City.



1937—PRELUDE TO A DAZZLING DECADE



Henry "Homicide Hank" Armstrong came into being as one of the destructive dynamos of the era, winning the first of three titles, the featherweight, from Petey Sarron by knocking out Petey in the sixth round on that October 29th evening in New York City.

THE only thing wrong with boxing is that years like 1937 don't come around often enough. And maybe that's the way it should be. Imagine getting up one morning in 1987, looking at the calendar and finding out it was June 1, 1937. Frustrating, to say the least! Especially if it happened too often.

We like it better this way, taking the good with the bad, wondering who'll develop into championship material, what great fights will take place next week, next month, next year. For, despite the general languid attitude toward the game of today, there are good fights and fighters and they'll probably look better ten, twenty, twenty-five years from now.

But that period, a quarter of a century ago, was an exceptionally good one for boxing. Better than that. It was a great year, count it any which way you will—a year that was replete with skills and thrills and an abundance of fights and fighters the game would never, could never, forget.

It was of little consequence to boxing that the world had gone mad, that we teetered on the brink of destruction (again!), doomsday coldly staring us in the eye. For 1937 was the prelude to a dazzling decade, ushering in the Fabulous, Fighting Forties, and fighter-for-fighter, and pound-for-pound, and bucket of blood for bucket of blood, it measured up to, and perhaps even surpassed the Golden Era of the Roarin' Twenties. With each passing year the heavyweights of then seem to grow taller and mightier, and the flyweights stronger and speedier.

It was a year when Amelia Earhart was lost. And the Panay was lost to the Japs. And the dirigible Hindenburg, with a frightful holocaust, was lost. And Neville Chamberlain, hat and umbrella in hand, was lost. And our Eddie Neil, covering the Spanish Civil War, was soon to be lost. And it seemed the world was lost.

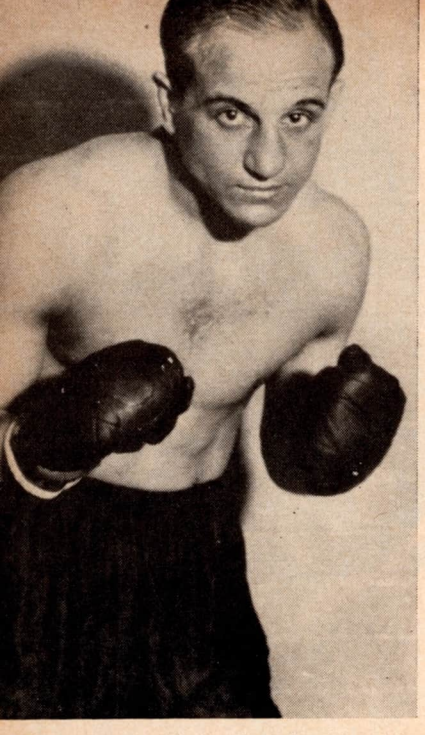
It was the time before television, atomic power and orbital flights. It was a time when a subway ride, a phone call, a hot dog or a cup of coffee cost a nickel, and for the first time in years, guys had some change jingling in their pockets as the depression was easing off.

For all the terror the world held and was to hold, we knew little and boxing was glorying in a new age, a re-birth that saw youth, power, finesse and color marking the year with strong, indelible lines.

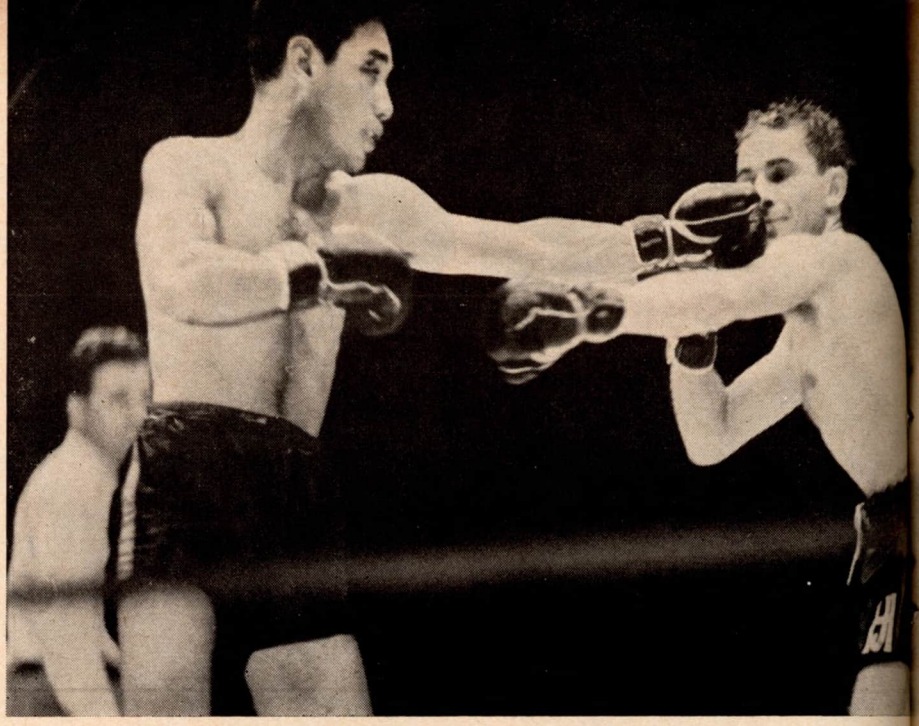
It was the year of the Brown Bomber, Joe Louis, who revitalized the game with an awesome majesty when he took the title away from the aging, miraculous former W. P. A. worker, Jim Braddock. He held firm for more than a decade while the game prospered and despite large purses, he grew poorer.

At this stage, 1937, Louis was a million and a quarter dollars ahead of the game and we wonder what pithy remark he would have made if someone then had said to him: *"Joe, you are going to be one of the greatest champions of all time and you are going to wind up owing more than a million dollars."*

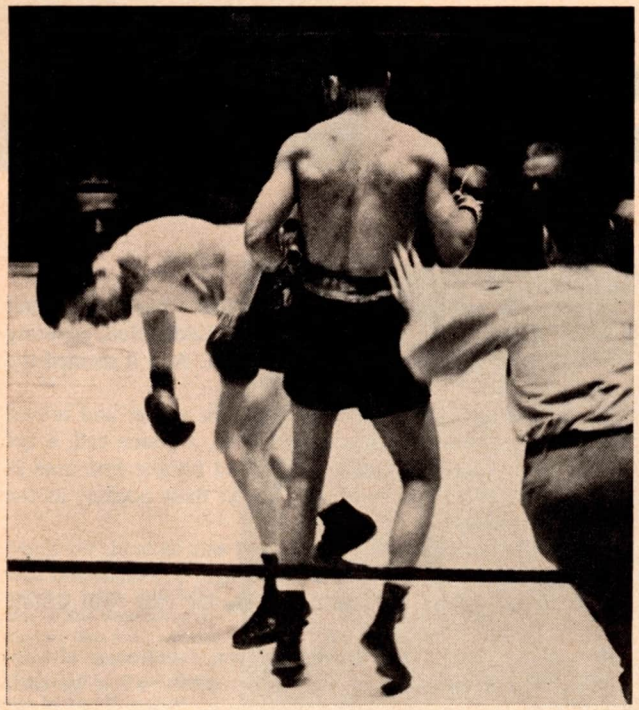
It was the year of the Phantom Fight, when Max Schmeling showed up for a championship bout with Jim Braddock, a date Braddock had no intention of keeping. And forgotten that, in a sense, Schmeling then became the first man to hold the world heavyweight championship twice, for the British



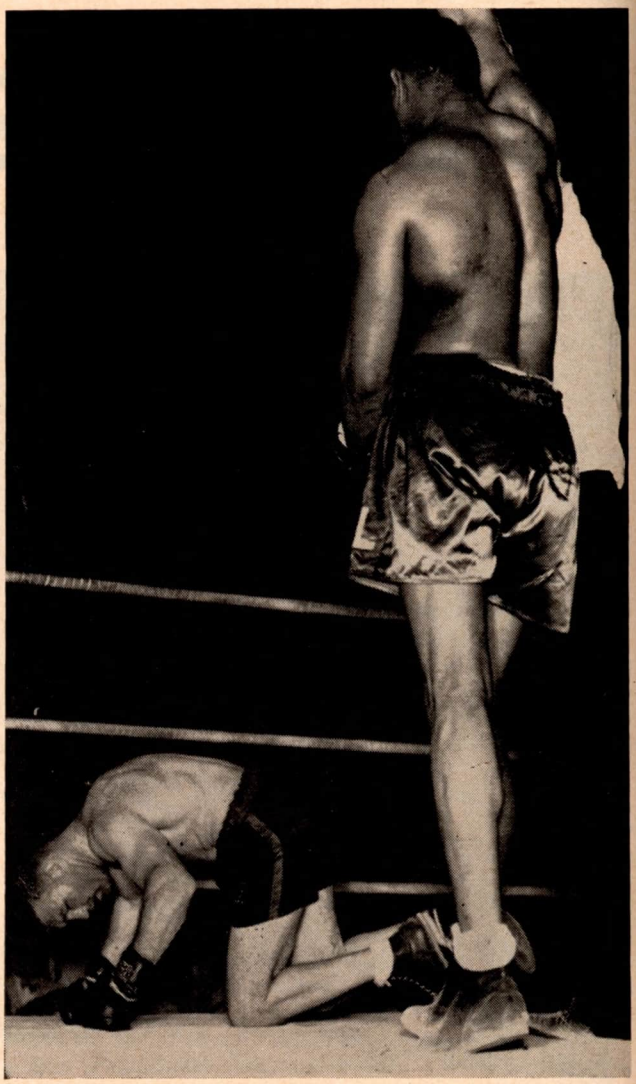
Tony Marino, Pittsburgh, Pa. bantamweight champion, lost his title to Sixto Escobar in 1936; 1937 was to be the year that Marino died as a result of his fight with Indian Quintana in Brooklyn, N.Y.



Sixto Escobar (left) shoots his left to face of challenger Harry Jeffra during their bantamweight title fracas in which Escobar lost the title he had won from Marino a year previously. The bout took place at the New York Polo Grounds in the famous "Carnival of Champions".



Pedro Montanez, of Puerto Rico, staggers Lew Ambers in non-title bout won by Montanez over ten exciting rounds in Madison Square Garden on April 5, winning for himself a chance later in 1937, on "The Carnival of Champions" card, at the lightweight title held by the Herkimer Hurricane. Montanez failed in his second meeting with Ambers, losing a fifteen round decision and his chance at the title.



Bob Olin, New York light heavyweight, was short-circuited on his comeback trail when he met John Henry Lewis, the light heavy champ, and was knocked out in the eighth round of their scheduled fifteen round contest at St. Louis, Mo., on June 3, 1937.

"Uncle" Mike Jacobs, as he was known to the working staffs on "Jacobs Beach," cornered the boxing talent in the first of the big monopolies in boxing. Control over heavyweight Joe Louis made millions for Mike and gave him the power to become a boxing mogul.

Board of Boxing Control and the International Boxing Federation voted him the title he had won and lost several years before.

It was the year that Primo Carnera, wrestling-rich now, was bemoaning the fact that he had made a half a million dollars in the United States and didn't have a lousy lira to show for it. The Italian Federation, taking pity, granted him a license to box, but only against second raters.

It was the year that John Henry Lewis was the light heavyweight champion, and he fought like a champion. Twenty times he went to the post, as he had done the year before, winning ten of those bouts by knockouts, many over heavyweights and including a title bout with Bob Olin, a New York favorite, who years later opened a plush restaurant and died too early. When John Henry won the title, Gus Greenlee, who handled him, became the first Negro to manage a world champion.

Middleweights were a dime a dozen in numbers, but were worth their weight (160 pounds or more) in gold. Marcel Thil, the balding Frenchman, was still thrilling the fans in Paris and New York, though he was in his mid-thirties. Ben Jeby, Gorilla Jones and Vince Dundee were active but playing out the schedule.

Teddy Yarosz was still making it tough for everybody. They had to prove to Babe Risko that it was all over and they were doing it with a thoroughness. Freddie Steele, Fred Apostoli, Al Hostak, Solly Kreiger and Harry Balsamo were the pounding powers and they were backed up by guys like Billy Conn and Ken Overlin, and all of them had to contend with the likes of Ben Brown, Glen Lee, Young Corbett, Walter Woods, Oscar Rankins and Gus Lesnevich.

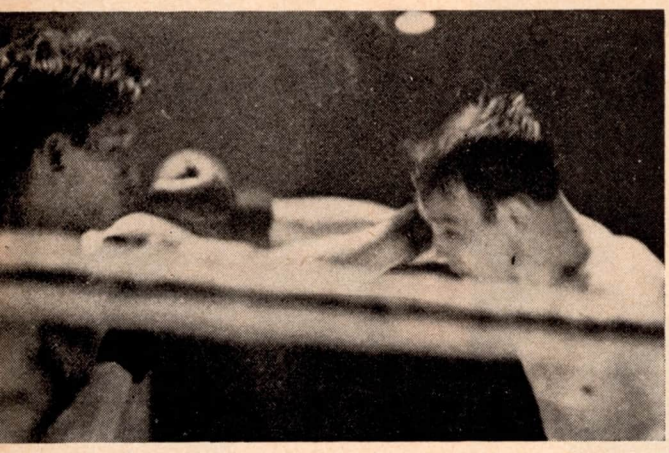
It was a tough way to make a living. Tony Zale, who had quit the ring to make more dough in the Gary steel mills, was back in action but only known around the Chicago area. Marcel Cerdan, though a veteran and maybe undefeated, was relatively unknown outside the Casbah.

Among the welterweights, Jimmy McLarnin had retired and with him went the great battles with Barney Ross, the redoubtable, was showing who was boss to the likes of Ceferino Garcia and Izzy Jannazzo and the other hatchet men of the division were Ripper Ralph Zanelli, Fritzie Zivic, Holman Williams, Saverio Turiello and Cocoa Kid.

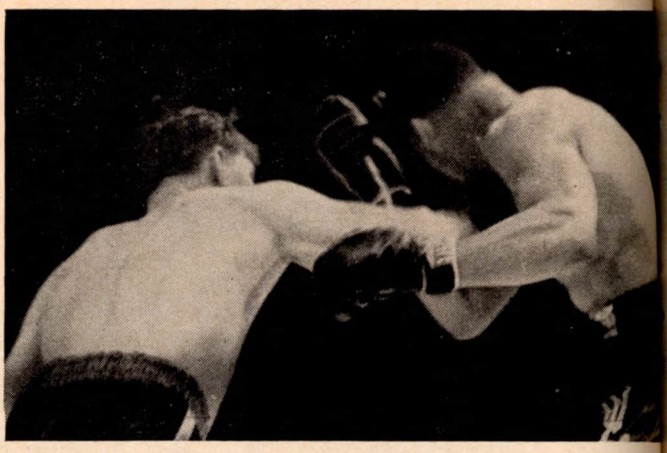
The lightweights had Lou Ambers as head man and he defended his title against Canzoneri and Pedro Montanez and in back of them were Davey Day, Enrico Venturi, Billy Beauhuld, Aldo Spoldi, Johnny Bellus, Wesley Ramey and, of course, Henry Armstrong.

Not enough can be said of Hammerin' Henry Armstrong, who tore out of the West as destructive as a tornado, lashing all before him. That year he was to fight twenty-seven times, and score twenty-six knockouts, during which he was to savagely defeat Petey Sarron for the featherweight championship. He was to go on to win the welterweight, then the lightweight championships and even one night fight for the middleweight title against Ceferino Garcia, a bout that ended in a draw and a decision of which can be said Armstrong received no favors.

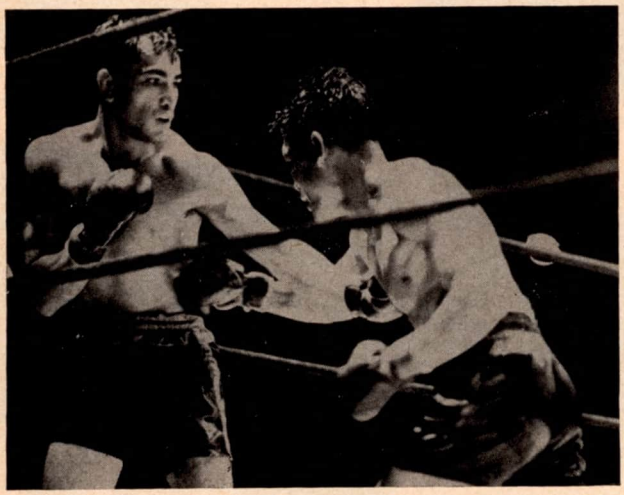
It was he, as a stepping stone for Mike Jacobs, along with



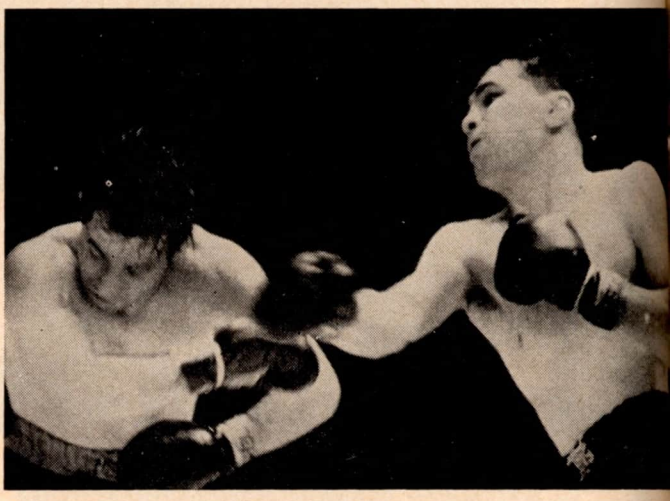
Benny Lynch (right) throws right over Small Montana's left lead and goes on to win world flyweight title at England's Wembley Stadium during that glorious year, 1937.



In 1937 Tommy Farr, the British Empire heavyweight champion, surprised boxing experts by going the full fifteen rounds with the destructive force of jolting Joe Louis. The Welshman lost a fifteen-round decision but gained the world's respect that evening of August 30 in the Yankee Stadium.



World War II Marine hero, Barney Ross, on the "Carnival of Champions" program, successfully defended his welterweight championship against Ceferino Garcia. Above, Ceferino puts the pressure on Barney. The Philippine Islander will be rememberd for his famous "Bolo" punch that was later copied by Kid Gavilan.



Experience and superior boxing skill gave Teddy Yarosz, Pittsburgh's world middleweight title-holder, the needed edge in his defense against two-fisted Solly Krieger of New York on that January night in 1937 at New York's Hippodrome. The ten-round decision was unanimous in favor of the champ.

Joe Louis, who provided the impetus which powered the game to dizzying, dazzling heights of popularity.

Bantamweight wasn't a foreign word to American ring followers yet and we had our share of great ones. Sixto Escobar was the champion and he successfully defended the title against Lou Salica and then lost it to Harry Jeffra. Tony Marino, who had held the crown the year before, died following a bout with Indian Quintana. Panama Al Brown, Baltazar Sangchilli, Kayo Morgan, Baby Yack, Aurel Toma, Georgie Pace, Spider Armstrong kept the division in a state of constant advantageous activity.

The flyweight division was already lost to America, but we were making one last gallant effort, in a round-about way, sending Small Montana of the Philippines, to fight the never-to-be-forgotten Benny Lynch in England. Montana lost and though we were to try again with Jackie Jurich of California, vs. Peter Kane, for the title the following year, the result was the same. In the end, Montana and Jurich were fighting for the "American flyweight title" which faded into the desperate shadows from which it sprung.

This was also the year of the Carnival of Champions, at the Polo Grounds, New York, where four world championship bouts were held one September evening. It was the greatest concentration of champions on one card. Seven of the eight fighters that night were at one time or another to hold world titles. It was the year when a third of a million dollars poured into the Yankee Stadium to see the international heavyweight championship bout with Louis defending against Welshman Tommy Farr, the challenger going the full fifteen rounds. Through the next twenty-two defenses and more than ten years, no one would go the distance with Louis.

It was the year that saw the first all-out boxing monopoly, when Mike Jacobs, with shrewd business acumen and the services of Louis and Armstrong, safely tucked in his pocket, organized the Twentieth Century Sporting Club, backed the owners of Madison Square Garden into a corner, moved in and ruled the sport with an iron hand. In 1937 Jacobs boasted, *"I have the sole rights to Louis's services for many years. I have the sole rights to the services of every heavyweight of note the world over—Braddock, Baer, Schmeling, Farr. Only Bob Pastor is not in the fold and I can get him any time if desired."*

Many prospered in the Jacobs regime, and some did not. Something called the Interstate Sports League, a boxing or-

ganization, was formed which, for $5 a clip for membership dues, sought "protection for the smaller fry and monopoly by a favored few done away with."

In 1937 the present heavyweight champion, Floyd Patterson, was two years old. And in those days, in Forrest City, Arkansas, they weren't pinning much on Sonny Liston.

Archie Moore was a skinny middleweight fighting as a pro for coffee and cakes in the Mid-west. Ray Robinson, in the amateurs, still turned when someone said, *"Hey you, Walker Smith!"* Archie Hindman, now executive-secretary of the N. B. A., was a fight manager and his best boy was a middleweight named Wendall Bubp (I repeat, Bubp).

Sam Taub was the voice of boxing and everyone listened to his ringside accounts of the fights from the Hippodrome. Mickey Walker, the Toy Bulldog, who had finally given up the ring when Erich Seelig knocked him out, was a song-and-dance man in a Newark night club.

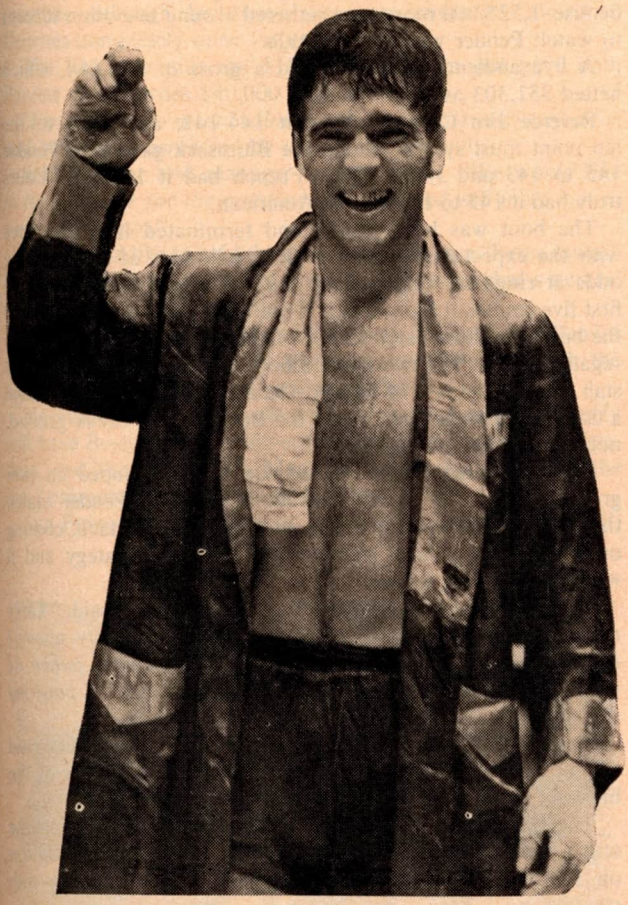
Pinky George, now manager of Alejandro Lavorante, was matchmaker for Marigold Gardens in Chicago. Jeff Dickson was packing them in at the Palais Des Sports in Paris and Gilbert Benaim was a young, energetic fight manager. Syd Hulls was the leading boxing promoter in Britain, while Jack Solomons had other fish to fry.

Many fighters come and go in twenty-five years and many we forget with the passage of time but, somehow, those of the year 1937 remain distinct and alive in our minds, as formidable as ever.

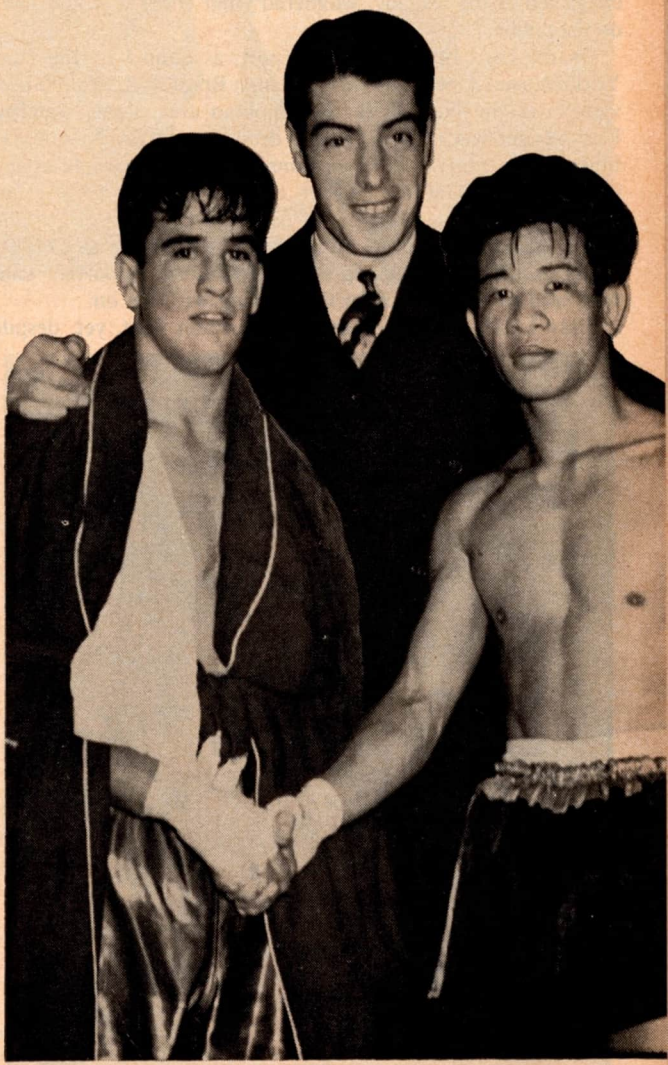
It was a good year for boxing and, like wine, seems to get better with age.

Mickey Walker, the "Toy Bulldog", retired since 1935 with a tavern in New Jersey, is seen being made up for his debut as a night club entertainer in that fateful 1937.

Below: The Yankee Clipper, Joe DiMaggio, was fast becoming the nation's idol in 1937 for his dash in the Yankee outfield and ability to cream a baseball. Here he is seen with Small Montana (right) and Jackie Jurich who fought to a draw and a win for Jurich during the year. Both were flyweights who helped make the year a period never to be forgotten by boxing enthusiasts.



Marcel Cerdan, who was later to become the "Idol of Paris" made his debut in the French Capitol by beating Louis Jampton. A year later he was to win the French title and the world crown, but in 1937 he was just a new face on the European boxing front.



PENDER REWINS MIDDLE CROWN

TV Viewers Numbered 2,250,000 in New York Area Alone. Watched Downes Beaten in Paret Tragedy Aftermath

By NAT LOUBET

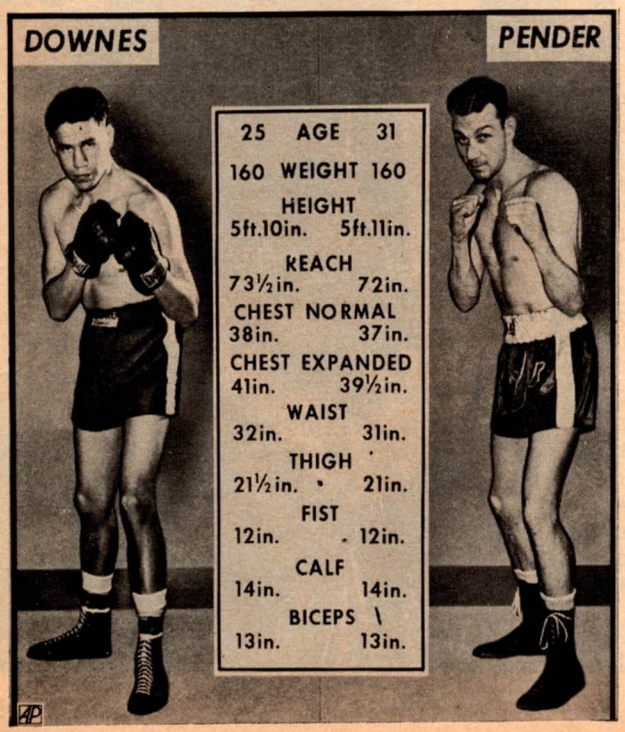
NOW Gene Fullmer will fight Paul Pender, and boxing badly in need of excitement to offset the Benny Paret tragedy, will stir up its fans with what it is hoped fervently will be a hard, clean and safe demonstration of the sour science.

Close upon the death of Paret, a stunned boxing world, chagrined at the tragedy, wondered what effect it would have on the public.

On the basis of the Nielsen report, as quoted by the New York-Journal American, through Hugh Bradley, 2,500,000 televiewers in the New York Metropolitan area alone, watched Paul Pender win a fifteen round decision and the New York, Massachusetts and Europe versions of the middleweight crown in the Boston Garden. Pender outfought Terry Downes of England, by a wide margin.

The number of viewers on a national scale came to 15,000,000. New York City video figures for recent important contests lead to the conclusion that boxing will live on.

Only 1,725,000 viewed the Griffith-Paret fight, yet, despite



Pender lands a left uppercut on the jaw of Downes while pulling back from Terry's right hand lead. It was the left used as a jab, hook and uppercut that piled up the points for Paul as he regained the title in a brisk fifteen round fight.

supposed indignation over charges of brutality after Paret's demise, 1,525,000 more fans gathered around television screens to watch Pender win back his title.

A live audience of 7,717 paid a gross of $66,664, which netted $51,303 as Pender won.

Referee Jim Carron tabbed it 144-143, according to the ten point must system. Judge Joe Blumsack gave it to Pender 145 to 143 and Judge Harry French had it 146-141. Yours truly had it 145 to 143 for the American.

The bout was hard fought and terminated in accordance with the expectations of most close followers of boxing. The odds at ringtime were two to one, favoring Pender. For the first five rounds it looked as if those setting the spread were off the beam. In those early sessions Downes looked a good bet to regain his title. His two handed body punching discounted the stab and run defense of Pender. Occasionally the Briton landed a convincing right that caused the Bostonian to break ground, not without loss of dignity.

From the fifth round onward the fight developed an ever greater margin of victory for the American. Pender stated that he intended to start slowly and step up his attack, coming on strong in the later rounds. That was his strategy and it worked according to plan.

"I didn't want to wear myself out early," Paul said, *"Terry tipped off his punches and I could read him pretty good. I noticed that every time he wanted to throw a hard punch he would drop his left. Every time his left came down . . . pow! my right went in."*

Pender, the master boxer with a scorpion tongue left, read the signs and painted a stinging path across the face of the brave brawler from the Tight Little Isle.

The only place in which the two were equal was on the scales. Both weighed in at 159. In their first meeting in Boston on January 14, 1961, Pender stopped Terry in the seventh round.

A badly bashed nose and other lacerations caused the bout to be stopped to save the Briton from further punishment.

This prompted the second match in July at London in which the belting fireman lost his status as a ring hero and as a champion. When he availed himself at the end of the ninth round of the British custom that allows a fighter to "retire" he

left Americans with their mouths hanging open in chagrin. A champion giving up his crown without being beaten off his feet was contrary to the "American Way."

Aspersions were aimed at Pender's qualities of heart. But in his third meeting with Downes he outgamed a gamester and showed none of the reluctant fighter that prompted some to give Downes a chance to win.

Pender shot good licks to the body and head and then held Downes, tying him up before he could retaliate. This infuriated his British cousin who admits, *"I fight with my head wide open."* He also admitted that he butted Pender out of sheer anger at what he called foul tactics. Pender's holding and being allowed to do so by the referee, was not British style.

"The bloomin fight wouda been stopped in England if that chap did that over there," said Terry in his dressing room. The referee warned Downes on several occasions for butting which added fuel to Terry's ire. He felt that Pender should have received his share of the warnings.

Both during and after the fight Downes was every bit the champion. He fought with all his soul and every weapon at his command but it wasn't enough to offset the skill of Pender. For the first time Pender used a right cross following a left lead effectively.

First blood appeared in the third frame when Downes developed a bruise over his left eye and Pender had a small cut over his left optic.

Pender seemed to be a head taller than the champ and he used this advantage combined with his speed of foot to play out his role as a toreador, with Terry as the rushing bull.

Although Downes occasionally landed blows to the head he was for the most part a body puncher. Pender mixed his punches although his blows were predominately aimed at Downes completely open target, his head.

The live gate plus the $100,000 television pot gave both Pender and Downes $40,000 each.

"I would like to meet Fullmer, end the middleweight muddle, and have one champ in this class." Pender said.

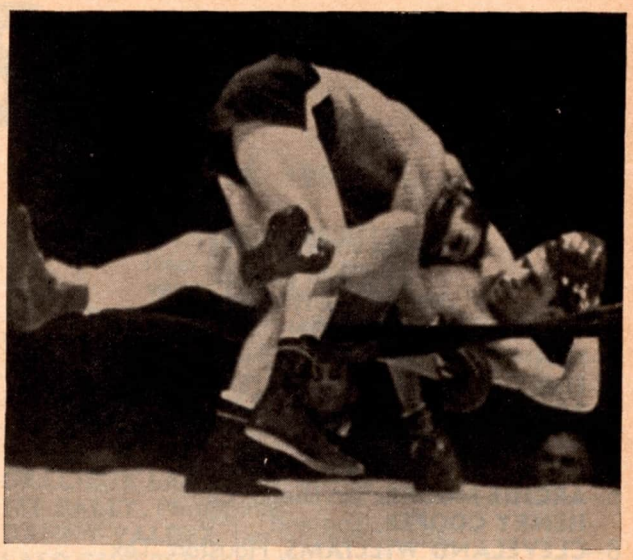
Said Fullmer and manager Marv Jenson: *"We would like to fight Pender for the middleweight title and will meet him in any neutral spot."*

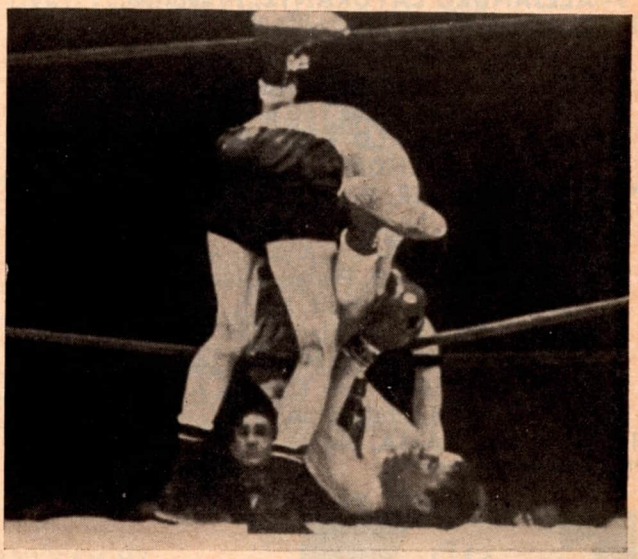
Both would like to hold the contest in their own "home towns" but since this is impossible they have announced that a neutral territory would be acceptable.

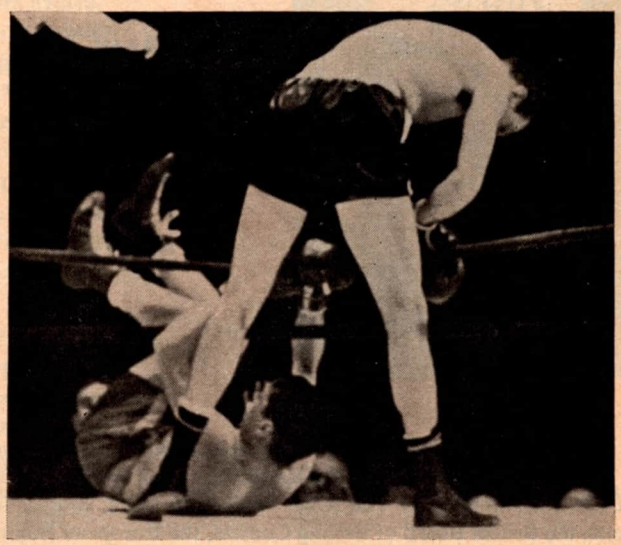
Norm Rothschild has stated that both Fullmer and Pender probably could get 30% of the gate and television, with the assurance they each would receive $125,000.

No matter where the contest is held the promotion probably will have Bostonian Sam Silverman, Norm Rothschild of Syracuse, and the New York Madison Square Garden, plus the local promoter, as partners in the show.

San Francisco, with George *(Continued on page 43)*







The above series of photos show what was the closest thing to a knockdown in the fight, as Terry was pushed through the ropes by Pender in the eighth round of the action in Boston.

The loser, Terry Downes, gets a kiss from his two-year-old daughter Wendy while his wife, Barbara, looks on.

WORLD RATINGS

By NAT FLEISCHER

HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
FLOYD PATTERSON, Scarsdale, N.Y.
1—**SONNY LISTON,** Philadelphia, Pa.
2—**EDDIE MACHEN,** Portland, Ore.
3—**ZORA FOLLEY,** Chandler, Ariz.
4—**ROBERT CLEROUX,** Canada
5—**INGEMAR JOHANSSON,** Sweden
6—**ARCHIE MOORE,** San Diego, Calif.
7—**HENRY COOPER,** England
8—**CLEVELAND WILLIAMS,** Houston, Tex.
9—**ALEJANDRO LAVORANTE,** Argentina
10—**CASSIUS CLAY,** Louisville, Ky.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS
(Not over 160 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
PAUL PENDER, Brookline, Mass.
*1—**GENE FULLMER,** West Jordan, Utah
2—**DICK TIGER,** Nigeria
3—**TERRY DOWNES,** England
4—**JOEY GIARDELLO,** Philadelphia, Pa.
5—**HENRY HANK,** Detroit, Mich.
6—**DENNY MOYER,** Portland, Ore.
7—**FLORENTINO FERNANDEZ,** Cuba
8—**RAY ROBINSON,** New York, N.Y.
9—**JESSE SMITH,** Philadelphia, Pa.
10—**YAMA BAHAMA,** Bimini
*NBA Middleweight Champion

PAUL PENDER FIGHTER OF THE MONTH

ARCHIE MOORE who is recognized as world light heavyweight king only in California, has been dropped from that division by The Ring. With New York, Massachusetts, the British Board of Boxing Control, the European Boxing Union and Orient Federation following the edict of the National Boxing Association in depriving Archie of his laurels, there is nothing left for The Ring other than to accept the close to universal decision and side with the great majority. When Moore stopped Alejandro Lavorante of Argentine in the tenth round, for which he scaled 197 against 211, he made his bid for recognition as a heavyweight challenger.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS
(Not over 175 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
Title Vacant
*1—**HAROLD JOHNSON,** Philadelphia, Pa.
2—**GIULIO RINALDI,** Italy
3—**DOUG JONES,** New York, N.Y.
4—**EDDIE COTTON,** Seattle, Wash.
5—**CHIC CALDERWOOD,** Scotland
6—**MAURO MINA,** Peru
7—**GUSTAV SCHOLZ,** Germany
8—**ERICH SCHOPPNER,** Germany
9—**VON CLAY,** Philadelphia, Pa.
10—**BOBO OLSON,** Honolulu, Hawaii
*NBA Light Heavyweight Champion

WELTERWEIGHTS
(Not over 147 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
EMILE GRIFFITH, New York, N.Y.
1—**RALPH DUPAS,** New Orleans, La.
2—**LUIS RODRIGUEZ,** Cuba
*3—**DUILIO LOI,** Italy
4—**JORGE FERNANDEZ,** Argentina
5—**LUIS FOLLEDO,** Spain
6—**BRIAN CURVIS,** Wales
7—**CURTIS COKES,** Dallas, Texas
8—**TED WRIGHT,** Detroit, Mich.
9—**RIP RANDALL,** Dallas, Texas
10—**GUY SUMLIN,** Pritchard, Alabama
*NBA Junior Welterweight Champion

It is doubtful if Archie ever again will fight as a light heavyweight and because of this uncertainty, his refusal to defend the light heavy crown and his aim to challenge for the heavyweight title, The Ring now lists him among the heavyweights in sixth position.

The change among the light heavies, plus the rise of Emile Griffith to the top of the welter class and Paul Pender's triumph over Terry Downes to regain the world middleweight title, are the outstanding changes in the latest international rankings.

So long as the rest of the world which included the American states of New York, Massachusetts and California and such major international bodies as the E.B.U. and its affiliated British Board of Boxing Control and the Orient Federation still regarded Moore as champion, The Ring continued to do so. Now, however, The Ring feels that in the best interests of world boxing, it must go along with the majority. Therefore, so far as The Ring is now concerned, the light heavyweight title is vacant.

Lavorante, loser to Moore has been dropped from sixth to ninth, Dick Richardson of Wales has been removed to make way for Moore in the latest heavyweight rankings. Cassius Clay of Louisville dropped from ninth to tenth.

Inactive Erich Schoppner of Germany was downed two pegs, from sixth to eighth in the light heavy class due to inactivity with Mauro Mina of Peru and Gustav Scholz of Germany, each advanced to sixth and seventh respectively.

In the middleweight class Downes is now listed third, behind Gene Fullmer and Dick Tiger of Nigeria.

The death of Benny Kid Paret, brought about many changes in the welter class. Ralph Dupas of New Orleans is the new

WORLD RATINGS FOR THE MONTH ENDING APRIL 20, 1962

LIGHTWEIGHTS
(Not over 135 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
JOE BROWN, Baton Rouge, La.
1—**CARLOS ORTIZ,** New York, N.Y.
2—**DAVE CHARNLEY,** England
3—**FLASH ELORDE,** Philippines
4—**DOUG VAILLANT,** Cuba
5—**EDDIE PERKINS,** Chicago, Ill.
6—**CARLOS HERNANDEZ,** Venezuela
7—**PAOLO ROSI,** New York, N.Y.
8—**KENNY LANE,** Muskegon, Mich.
9—**BERT SOMODIO,** Philippines
10—**LOUIS MOLINA,** San Jose, Calif.
*NBA Junior Lightweight Champion

BANTAMWEIGHTS
(Not over 118 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
EDER JOFRE, Brazil
1—**JOE MEDEL,** Mexico
2—**JOHNNY CALDWELL,** Ireland
3—**PIERO ROLLO,** Italy
4—**ALPHONSE HALIMI,** France
5—**PIERRE COSSEMYNS,** Belgium
6—**ISMAEL LAGUNA,** Panama
7—**FREDDIE GILROY,** Ireland
8—**HERMAN MARQUES,** Stockton, Calif.
9—**MITSUNORI SEKI,** Japan
10—**CARLOS HERNANDEZ,** Mexico

FEATHERWEIGHTS
(Not over 126 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
DAVEY MOORE, Springfield, O.
1—**SUGAR RAMOS,** Cuba
2—**RAFIU KING,** Nigeria
3—**KAZUO TAKAYAMA,** Japan
4—**HOWARD WINSTONE,** Wales
5—**SERGIO CAPRARI,** Italy
6—**GRACIEUX LAMPERTI,** France
7—**JET BALLY,** Philippines
8—**DANNY VALDEZ,** Los Angeles, Calif.
9—**LALO GUERRERO,** Mexico
10—**HERMAN DUNCAN,** Los Angeles, Calif.

FLYWEIGHTS
(Not over 112 pounds)
WORLD CHAMPION
PONE KINGPETCH, Thailand
1—**RAMON ARIAS,** Venezuela
2—**MIMUN BEN ALI,** Spain
3—**SADAO YAOITA,** Japan
4—**SALVATORE BURRUNI,** Italy
5—**CHATCHAI LAMPHAFA,** Thailand
6—**KYO NOGUCHI,** Japan
7—**PASCUAL PEREZ,** Argentina
8—**CHUCHO HERNANDEZ,** Mexico
9—**JEAN GUERARD,** France
10—**HORACIO ACCAVALLO,** Argentina

p challenger, followed by Luis Rodriguez of Cuba. Duilio oi of Italy and Jorge Fernandez of Argentina, round out the p four. Curtis Cokes of Dallas, Texas, kayo winner over ilario Morales has replaced Ted Wright in the seventh post, ith Wright down to eighth. Garland "Rip" Randall of Dallas, inner over Kenny Lane and Virgil Akins in his last two fights, a newcomer in ninth position. Federico Thompson of Arentina is out and Guy Sumlin of Pritchard, Ala., returns in enth post.

Among the lightweights, Eddie Perkins of Chicago has been dvanced, switching places with Carlos Hernandez of Venezuela, in fifth and sixth positions, respectively.

Sugar Ramos of Cuba captured the verdict and top contender osition when he defeated Rafiu King of Nigeria in the feather lass. King, hitherto leading challenger, dropped to second ost, with Kazuo Takayama of Japan up from 4 to 3, trading ositions with Howard Winstone of Wales. Jet Bally of the hilippines advanced from ninth to seventh, with Danny aldes of Los Angeles and Lalo Guerrero of Mexico, each own one peg, to eighth and ninth respectively.

In the bantam class, the continued inactivity of Leo Espinosa f the Philippines, has brought about his removal with Mitsuori Seki of Japan, replacing him in ninth position. Pierro ollo, new European champion, traded places with Pierre ossemyns who he stopped. Rollo is third.

Kyo Noguchi's victory over Baby Espinosa of the Philippines, enabled him to advance to sixth from his previous seventh lace among the flyweights. He exchanged posts with Pascual erez of Argentina. Noguchi will face Pone Kingpetch of hailand in his next bout on May 30 in Tokyo.

PROSPECTS FOR THE MONTH

	Pro Debut	Total	Won	Lost	Draws	Kayos
HEAVYWEIGHT						
Andres Muela, Los Angeles, Calif.	8/61	5	5	0	0	2
LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT						
Sylvester Banks, Cincinnati, O.	4/61	4	4	0	0	1
MIDDLEWEIGHT						
Jimmy Hairston, Philadelphia, Pa.	9/61	7	6	0	1	3
WELTERWEIGHT						
Dick French, Providence, R. I.	1/62	6	6	0	0	3
LIGHTWEIGHT						
Henry Dominguez, Odesso, Texas	5/61	6	6	0	0	4
FEATHERWEIGHT						
Frankie Taylor, England	2/62	2	2	0	0	2
BANTAMWEIGHT						
Chocolate Zambrano, Mexico	9/61	5	4	0	1	2
FLYWEIGHT						
Angel Morales, New York, N.Y.	3/62	1	1	0	0	0

DO FANS MAKE BRUTALITY?

The writer says, "YES." The public wants blood and thunder and refutes exhibitions of skill as thoroughly boring.

By TED CARROLL

THE television broadcasting networks castigated by high placed criticism of the violence which dominates their most popular programs, can find ready sympathizers in the ranks of fight people everywhere. Under continual constraint to concentrate more on programs of intellectual and educational merit, the tormented telecasters strike back at the critic with the foolproof rejoinder that no power in existence can keep the great mass audience from switching the dial from the high-minded cultural offerings, to the action-crammed, "rock-and-sock," "shoot-em-up," westerns and murder mysteries.

This — experience has shown — is invariably what happens, as proven by the "ratings" the industry swears by.

These electronic age moguls are finding out what boxing managers and promoters discovered decades ago, that the public appetite for entertainment despite the refinements of Twentieth Century civilization remains as primitive in its preference for "blood-and-thunder" divertisement as it did ages ago.

It was the doubtless intent of the Marquis of Queensberry, father of the modern gloved version of fisticuffing, that the "scientific" or skillful phase of the sport be developed after the archaic "London Prize Ring" rules had been discarded. Indeed, England, the birthplace of pugilism, clung tenaciously to this concept of it for many years, and even in this country such pioneers as Corbett, Peter Jackson, Gans, and Jack Johnson attempted to make skill the prevailing technique in the sport.

But it was not to be. Like a young fellow college-bound, who, forced by economic necessity winds up working in a slaughterhouse, "boxing" under public pressure became "fighting." The people demanded a "gladiator," not a "glove-man."

Televised boxing has also afforded another interesting revelation. It has long been the custom of scornful observers to saddle boxing fans with the charge of "sadism"; singling them out as a segment of the populace seeking satisfaction in a savage sport. The TV response has now made it apparent that the public-at-large is no different in its tastes from the tiny minority which in "pre-TV" times attended fights in the flesh. Never was this fact so convincingly brought home as in the after-fight reaction of the living room audience to the Harold Johnson-Eddie Machen match on July 1, 1961.

One would have thought the armchair millions were under compulsion to see it or had paid their way into their own living rooms, judging from the complaints cascading coast-to-coast over the lack of mayhem in the match.

"My boy friend and me put up better fights than those two fellows on TV last night," giggled an office-bound secretary sardined amidst New York's stifling "subway rush."

"OOY, that Machen, with him who needs a sleeping pill?" grumbled a retired oldster as he settled down to sunning himself in a neighborhood park the morning after the bout.

The press can also always be counted upon to come up with clamorous echoes of public disappointment when a boxing bout features finesse rather than ferocity. In no other sport do we find a more frequent target of ridicule and wisecracks in sports columns than the defensive-minded boxer. He is always available as the butt of jokes when ideas run short; he is decried as timid, frightened, over-cautious, and being in the wrong business. Such jibes as, *". . . watching a smart fighter is like watching a guy read a book . . ."* result from the display of his talents.

Nor are fight people themselves free from blame in their harsh appraisals of clever men who are actually the sport's most solid asset. In the unpolite parlance of pugilism these are often referred to as "stinkos" who instead of bringing customers in, chase them away.

The Johnson-Machen bout suffered the censure of all these varied factions. Actually—when analyzed—this match really represented what its founder, The Marquis, and truly discerning critics—of which there are a limited few—intended boxing to be.

To begin with, it brought together two magnificent physical specimens, "either of whom could have modeled a statue by Praxiteles, finely conditioned and in top shape. During the match in which the accent was on defense, all the moves and stratagems of the accomplished boxer were exhibited. The sidestep, hand, elbow, and arm blocking, the left jab, shifty movements of the head designed to break the force of a blow, punch slipping and ducking, feinting, countering, economy of effort with all waste movement eliminated, the sharpshooting straight right, not a single nuance necessary to boxing mastery was omitted.

On top of that the rules were observed with an impeccability rarely seen in a ring. Completely lacking

were the shoving, mauling, butting, wrestling, elbowing, heeling, kidney blows, sneak hitting, and wild swinging, which have become so common, and with which the public seldom finds fault, as long as it is animated by fury.

The men fought like automatons completely devoid of any emotion or ill feeling which is, as it was meant to be, in a boxing match.

And when the Johnson-Machen display of the "Art of Self-Defense" was over, what happened? Dissatisfaction was general, no one had been hurt, so the public was outraged!

Few boxers in ring history have suffered more from the public predilection for bloodshed in the ring than Harold Johnson. Admittedly an outstanding ringman, press, public and promoters are as one in their objections to him; because his defensive skill does not churn up the eddies of excitement which channel the customers through the turnstiles. In 1959 and '60 Johnson had a total of three fights although ranked as the No. 1 contender in the lightheavy division during this time. For years he was forced to concede great gobs of weight to giant heavies whenever he was able to get any fights at all.

If anyone wants a living proof that the public and not the sport is responsible for the so-called "brutality" of boxing they need look no further than Harold Johnson, long unable to make a living in his own profession because he attempted to make a science and not a brawl of boxing.

Almost coincident with the unfortunate Griffith-Paret tragedy and the resultant furor over the punishment absorbed by the luckless Cuban, was the passing of one of the all-time masters of defensive boxing, former welterweight champion Jack Britton at the considerable age of 74. Britton perfected the art of self protection in the ring to such a degree that in more than twenty five years of boxing, taking in more than 300 bouts, he probably received less physical punishment than the average professional football player does in a season; enjoying good health and no ill effects from his long career, for almost three-quarters of a century.

It is also ironic that Griffith, taken to task by some for the fierce fusillade he directed at Paret while the champion was in a helpless position, has been chastised by both press and fans in the past for failing to force his advantage against a stricken foe. In the first Paret match longtime and respected N.Y. Journal-American columnist, Frank Graham, was one of the few who saw the decision which originally cost Griffith his crown as correct; claiming that Griffith had not extended himself sufficiently in much of the fight to warrant retaining his title. In his last bout

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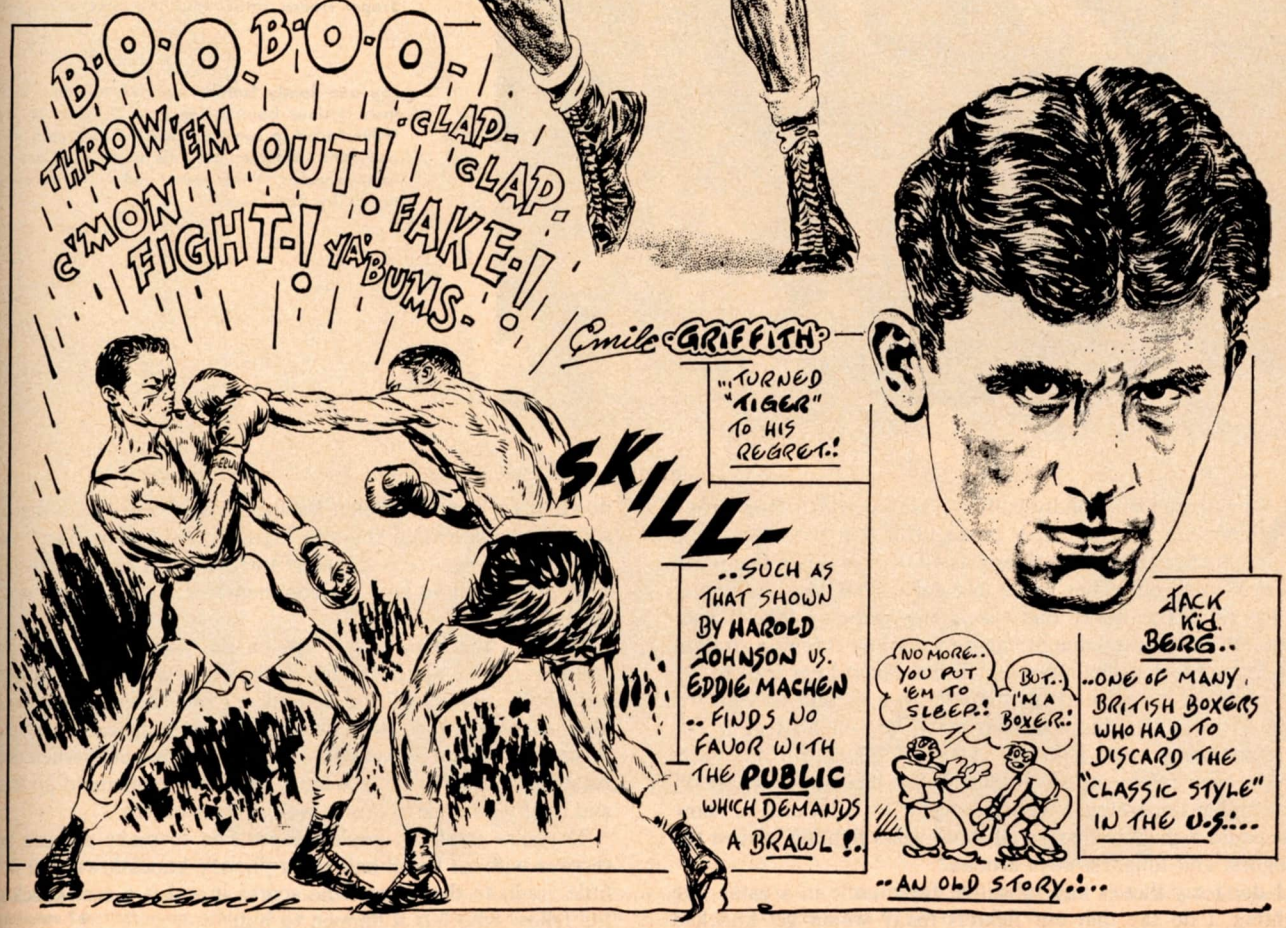
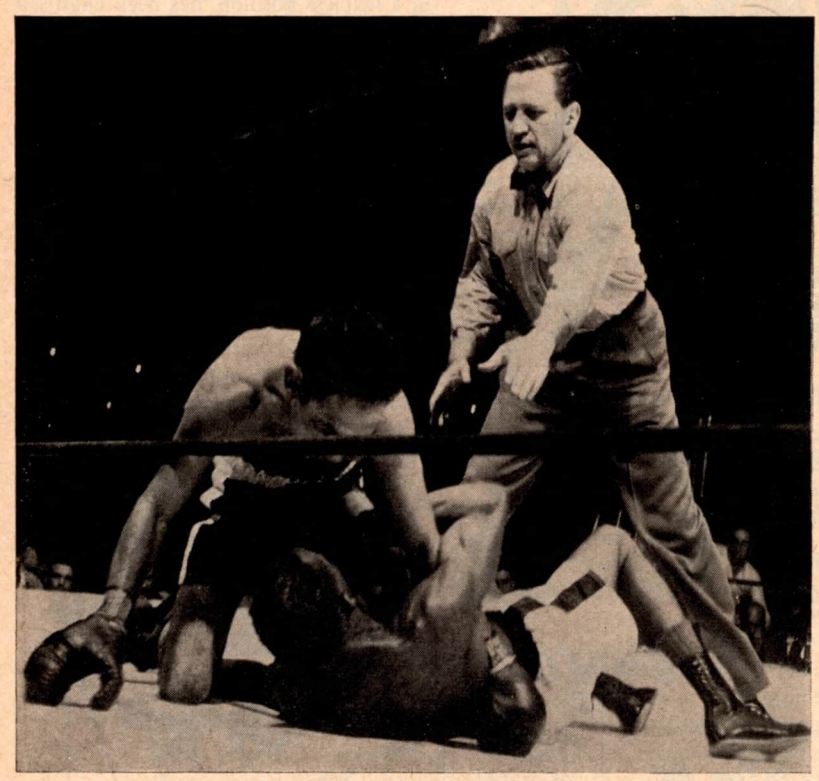


IT'S ALL BALANCE

By Willie Pep,
Former Featherweight Champion,
as told to
Lester Bromberg

Willie Pep was quick to point out that many times poor balance has been mistaken for a weak chin. Often a fighter is knocked down, due to his improper stance, rather then the force of the blow.



Pep and Sandy Saddler both hit the deck during their riotious bout in the Polo Grounds in 1951. Willie failed to come out for the thirteenth round and Sandy retained the title and closed out their famous series, which was filled with roughhouse tactics by both men.

Now there's this solidly-built kid, with legs that look strong enough to hold up a piano. The boy he's fighting is smaller and he's as skinny as—OK, say Willie Pep when I was starting out. They move into each other near the center of the ring. The husky one tries a big swinging left. It goes wide. At almost the same moment the shrimp throws a straight left. It isn't a sledgehammer punch but Piano Legs tries to get out of the way and he trips himself. In a second he's on the floor. Not for long but a jab has taken him off his feet.

In the many years I boxed, 1940 to 1959, and in the years I have been refereeing since then, I saw this sort of come-off time and again. Listen, I was responsible for a lot of it . . . how else could a shadow survive all those years fighting against the roughest and toughest boys around?

I don't say there's any substitute for muscle in a game like fighting. I do say that our fighters today would get knocked down less if they had better balance. You'll agree with me that some knockdowns in this era aren't really knockdowns. And how many times have you seen somebody go to the canvas in a TV fight, only to hear the commentator say *"no knockdown, it's a slip?"*

Between the two, boxers are on the floor more than ever and it burns me up. Let's face it, I'm crazy over boxing, always have been, always will be. I think it's the fairest of all sports, man against man, no two-one or three-one situations as develop in say football or basketball. And it's best to watch when done reasonably well. In other words, when two men stand up there and fight with their brains as well as their brawn.

If you're thinking, you're in position to make a move and recover without being bait for a phoney knockdown that does little credit to the fellow who scores it and is a real knock on the fellow who lets it happen to him.

How do you learn to think in there? The way you learn to read, ride a bicycle or drive a car. By going to somebody who knows how to do it, asking questions and then trying it yourself.

Sure, it takes some concentration, some drive. But any fighter who wants to make money in the ring has got to be willing to push himself. The gym is your school room, the right moves are not complicated. The trick is working at them—and working at them.

I will admit I might have been luckier than the average. Because I loved fighting so much, even as a small youngster, I wanted to be there all the time and practicing wasn't a pain to me, it was a pleasure. But there were other fighters around then who didn't like it as much. They drilled themselves because they knew it was necessary. Their results were good too.

So, fun or duty, the job can be done.

I'd say the fundamentals of good balance are in the placing of your feet in relation to your weight. Any time you've got too much of a lean of your upper body in one direction, your legs have to readjust or down you go with even a slight touch. Notice that most of these 'slips' happen when fighters are going back? The reason is that they're generally leaning in an attempt to pull away from a punch and they haven't corrected their stance to allow for it.

For what they call a rule of thumb, I'd say you should 'think' with your feet. That is, know where you're going. If your punches are hitched to direction, they're not going to throw you off balance.

I'll give you a for-instance. I used to be able to throw jab after jab while stepping around an opponent. . . . I could do it because I had taught myself to fire as I moved and shifted. Remember, I never got further or nearer to the man. I kept the same distance between us as I traveled. But I was changing the angle as I went clockwise or counter-clockwise.

My big beef, as I told you, is not on the hitting today so much. It is in the awkward situations fighters throw themselves into and so (1) catch punches they shouldn't, (2) simply tangle themselves up and go down.

And I can't hammer too hard on the idea that you don't have to be fast to have good balance. I go my best lessons from a great fighter who was a slow as molasses in winter, like they used to say. I'm talking about Chalky Wright, the old-timer from whom I won the title in 1942.

Willie, who blamed poor balance on many of the so-called knockdowns scored against him, here hits the deck in the tenth round of his title bout against Frenchman Ray Famechon, which Willie won easily in the Garden on March 17, 1950. It was ruled a slip by referee Ruby Goldstein.

People don't appreciate Chalky as much as they ought to. Here was a man who fought 12 years before he got a chance at the title. I got mine after only three years. But, when he made it, he knew the score. He knew it so cold that being creaky couldn't spoil his moves.

That night in the Garden, it's 20 years ago, but I remember it like yesterday, especially the way Chalky squared off.

His legs were all gnarled-looking, sort of what you'd see on an old tree, and he stood wide. That's all wrong, according to the book. His arms were kind of skinny, except around the muscle parts, and he held them low. That also is all wrong, according to the book.

He seemed to put all his weight on his back foot, his right, and I got the impression he was sitting in a rocking-chair, though he was standing up naturally. One important thing, though. His lead leg, the left, was a pivot. He didn't go one step with his right without moving his left first to get a new lineup of direction.

Well, I had said to myself right off, *"this old man is going to be a cinch to jab."* In the first round I got going. I popped one at him . . . his head wasn't there. I popped another . . . another miss. I popped a third . . . I sure wasn't going to get a cigar this way.

It wasn't long before I realized that he was slipping these jabs. Not just by moving his head but by inching that pivot foot so that I was aiming at a target that was moving inches at a time . . . a little bit of distance but more than enough to throw me off.

I picked up a word from airplane pilots I met on trips later, 'compensate,' and that's what I did in the fight to finally get to Chalky with some jabs.

It was a desperately hard fight for me all the way. With that same sense of knowing where he was going, even though he was only going a step or two each time, he'd crash in on me with some chilling punches. They shook me up, they put respect in me.

That respect was what saved me in the end. I figured it out that no straightaway shots were going to nail me. I went in for left hooks off the jab. They were the ones he couldn't get away from—and they caught the officials' eyes.

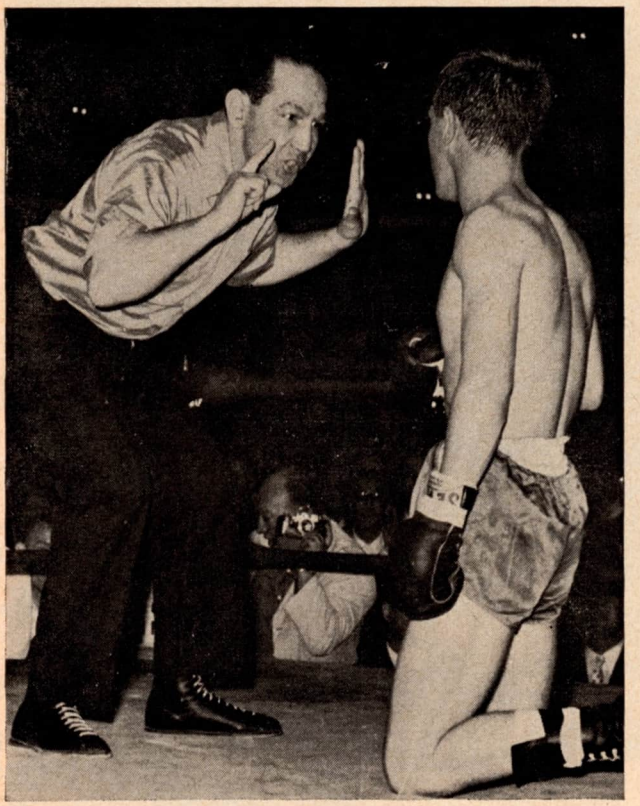
But Chalky, the loser, hadn't made a bad move in 15 rounds. He admitted to being 30 at the time. I'll bet he was closer to 40. Yet he wasn't about to go off balance at any time. He had that old body of his under control at every moment.

Now you know I ran up a pretty good streak from the start of my career. I kept winning for four years, I went up to 62. (Editor's note—he later had a 73-fight streak, interrupted by only a draw.) But I got another sort of lesson in balance the night I got licked for the first time.

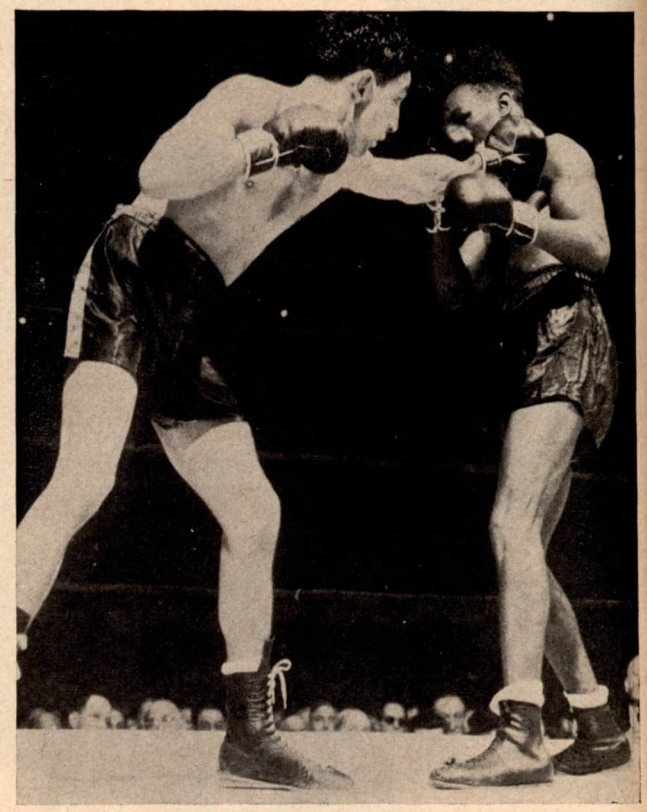
If you've got a good boxing memory, you'll tell me the name of the fighter who beat me first. Yes, Sammy Angott. Everybody recalls he was the lightweight champion but they called him a wrestler. Maybe he did rassle me around some. I don't alibi and I'll let the loss stand in the book.

What I came away from after the fight was an understanding of how a fellow who looked sloppy could do smart things. More than that, here was a man who bounced around like he would tip over. He didn't. He'd come up with punches from cuckoo angles. I couldn't get away from many of them.

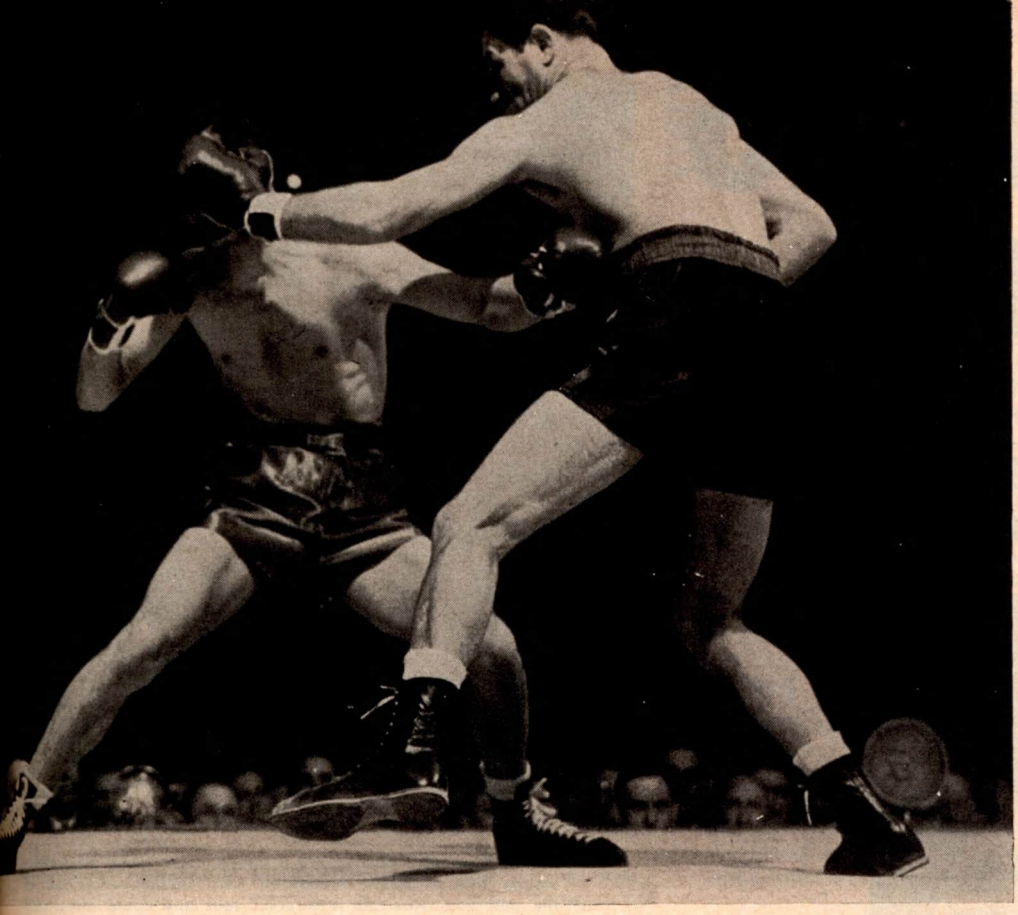
When I finally puzzled him out, I realized he had been going



Pep now a highly competent referee is shown counting over Johnny Caldwell of Ireland during the world bantamweight title bout in Sao Paulo, Brazil in which the Irishman was kayoed by Eder Jofre. Pep also referees in New Jersey and other parts of the world.



Willie, the master of the left jab is shown scoring with that weapon against Chalky Wright in their bout in which Willie was first crowned featherweight champion back in 1942. Pep was a speed merchant who was able to keep his opponents off balance by his quick moves.



Pep's first loss as a pro came when he was outroughed by Sammy Angott. Our candid camera caught some of the tactics used by Sammy in recording his victory. Notice the leg action and open glove used to push Pep into the ropes.

side-to-side on me, the left foot sliding out fast when he went that way, the right doing the same thing when he went right. The moves were no accident. He learned to do it in the gym. I know, he told me later.

In baseball a pitcher will boast about his hitting—the thing he isn't supposed to know. I got my greatest kicks out of scoring knockouts—I wasn't supposed to be able to flatten my kid brother. One night I scored a knockout that sticks out in my memory.

Maybe you'll remember this fight too, the one I had with Charley Riley in St. Louis for the title. I had been coming to St. Louis on and off for three years . . . it was a good fight town before TV . . . and all my fights had been decision wins, over Jimmy McAllister, Red Top Davis, Harold Dade. The writers kind of counted on me never winning by anything but a decision.

Well, they made a title fight for me with Charley Riley. He had been a local favorite for years, a pretty fair banger. At one time he'd put together three one-round knockouts back-to-back. As you might guess, nobody expected him to upset me but, on the long chance of a knockout, the betting was on him, not Mrs. Pep's little boy.

For four rounds, the experts couldn't have been more expert. I speared, I shifted. I uppercut when he lunged. He wasn't finding me too much . . . this was going to go 15, they decided.

But I had seen one thing, I had noticed that, after he hooked —he was a rough type who didn't like to jab—, he would follow-through into a bad-balance stance on his left foot. *"Doesn't that set him up perfect for a shot on the cocoanut?"* I said to myself. . . .

. . . Don't laugh, a fighter does say things to himself during a fight. . . .

So, in the fifth round, I watched for his hook again. Like the 5:15 from Hartford used to come into Middletown, Conn., where I was a small fry, it arrived on time. I waited. . . . *"I'm getting to be a Chalky Wright," I said to myself"* . . . and, as he bent over after the hook, which I'd dipped under, I came in straight and hard with a right hand. I'd been flat footed, I put my body-weight behind it. It was right on the button. If he had been straight up, his own feet well planted, he might have shaken it off. But I had him in bad stance and I hit him good. Result: he went down and didn't get up.

I was proud of myself. And I rubbed it in pretty good on the reporters who came to see me in the dressing room. They were all good Joes, they could take it.

Speaking of knockouts, I've got news for you—I didn't do too badly, I got 60 in 229 fights. I hurt and finished those guys because I hit them when they weren't in balance.

Sure, now we're going to ask big-shot Pep, why, if he knew so much, was he stopped some six times? I was expecting you, chum . . . incidentally, I've learned some things about human nature, as well as fighting. I've got to the point where I don't count on everybody loving me. Any day I meet only three people who slip me the velvet knock, I'm three ahead of the game.

Anyway, you were trying to rib me about my knockouts. . . .

. . . OK, we'll do a little checking first. Hm, hm, from 1940 until almost the end of 1948, I had well over 100 fights. And, if you know my record, I wasn't on the floor even once, much less knocked out.

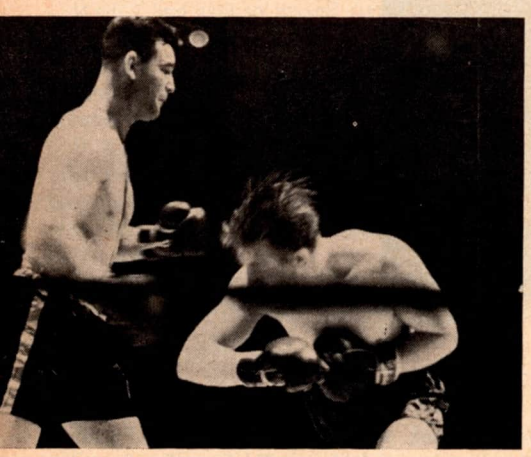
Well, by the time I met Sandy Saddler the first time—and he is the fighter who really pinned the 'Ko-by' tag on me, with three—I was getting a little old. I wouldn't say I was a Chalky Wright but I'd put in a little heavy-hauling along the old highway.

I'm not saying that first knockout he pinned on me was due to old age. Like I told you, I don't alibi. What's more, I came back after that to do a lot of good fighting. I won the title back from Saddler the next year and it was the year after that, 1950, that I came up with my KO classic, against Riley.

But this night in 1948 with Saddler, I was just plain careless. I held him too cheap. *(Continued on page 44)*

WHEN TO QUIT?

Fighters Should "Call It A Day" When They Are Over The Hill.



James J. Braddock (left) scored quite a surprise when he outboxed Tommy Farr in a ten rounder on August 30, 1937. It was Braddock's first fight since losing his title to Joe Louis, and Farr in his last bout had made an impressive showing against the "Brown Bomber." After Jim won, there was talk of a second Louis-Braddock match, but Jim knew when to quit.

By
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(New York Post)

Barney Ross (left) seen taking a beating and losing his welterweight title to Henry Armstrong was another who quit at the top. Ross was still a popular idol and could have continued on and made lots of money after losing his crown but was wise enough to see the handwriting on the wall and retire after this bout in 1938.

IN retrospect the death of Benny (Kid) Paret can be classified as an accident. The fatal knockout scored by Emile Griffith happened in a few brief seconds, and no one could act quickly enough to rescue the unfortunate Paret as he was tangled in the ropes.

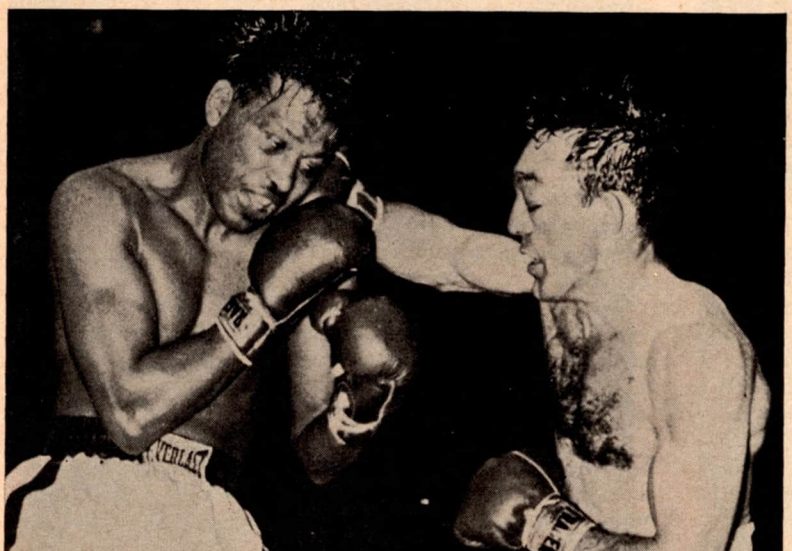
Hindsight, always a poor substitute for foresight, makes it crystal clear that the Cuban had some where lost that little something that is the difference between outstanding achievement, and failure. It is a problem confronting all athletes, and too few realize when it is time to retire.

No one was aware of it, Paret least of all, but he began to slip over a year before his last and fatal fight with Griffith. I am convinced that he lost what made him a champion in his welterweight title defense against Federico Thompson in Madison Square Garden Dec. 10, 1960.

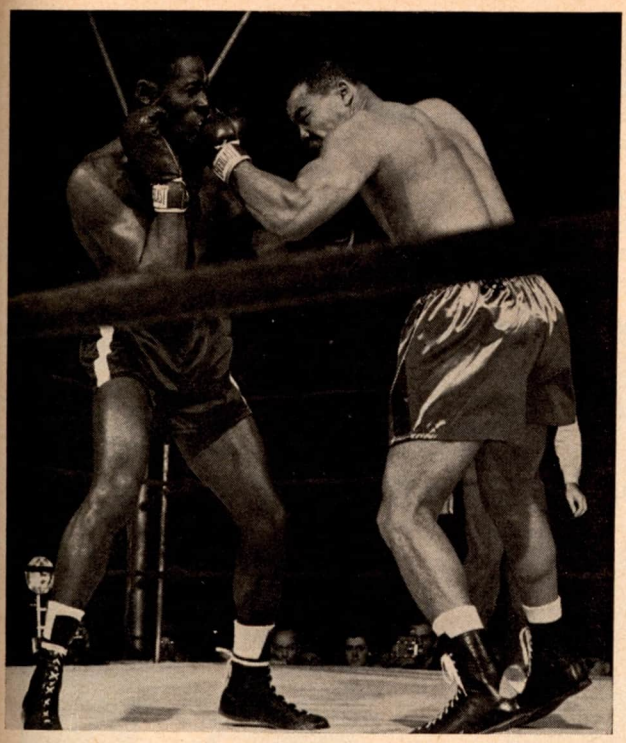
It was a fine performance, and Bernardo Paret may have hit his peak. He appeared to be a winning fighter, and was leading when Griffith suddenly knocked him out in the 13th round at Miami Beach on April 1, 1961. He had never been the same since.

Fate was cruel to Paret when he regained the crown from Griffith on a split and unpopular decision. The judges overruled the referee, but a great majority among the boxing experts and the fans disputed the verdict.

If the decision was a "gift," as most people thought, it was one that Paret could



Ray Robinson (left) and Carmen Basilio slugged it out in their return bout in Chicago on March 25, 1958 in which Ray just did outlast Carmen to regain the middleweight title for the fifth and last time. After the fight both men went quickly down hill. Basilio failed to win a major bout afterwards and Ray has gone from bad to worse. Both might have been smart to "hang them up" then and there.



Joe Louis (right) exchanges lefts with Ezzard Charles in their bout in which Joe failed to regain the tilte from Charles after coming out of retirement. Louis looked bad in losing, but would not see the truth and continued to fight until kayoed by Rocky Marciano.

have done without. If Griffith had won their second bout, Paret would not have been matched with Gene Fullmer in Las Vegas, and, of course, there would have been no third fight with Griffith.

The Fullmer fight was revealing, or should have been. Until he was stopped while still on his feet, Paret was on the ropes. He was unable to get off them, standing and taking a pounding from the NBA middleweight champion.

It should have been obvious that Paret's legs were gone. He could no longer move out of danger. It was the same in his last fight with Griffith.

In football, in baseball, in any competitive sport, including golf, it is always the legs that go first. Even the immortals fail to realize when they can no longer do what they once did brilliantly. Too often their financial situation influences their decision, as may be the case with Sugar Ray Robinson.

For the last four years Sugar Ray has been on borrowed time. His last big one was the second Carmen Basilio fight in Chicago. Early in the bout he closed Basilio's left eye, and went on from there to win the decision. Robinson was champion again, but at the finish he was so tired he had to be assisted from the ring.

Robinson has not won a major victory since. He was defeated twice by Paul Pender, drew and lost to Fullmer, and lost his last one to Denny Moyer. The Robinson we have been looking at since 1958 has been only a shadow of a great champion. His legs no longer obey the command of his nimble legs.

The five-time middleweight champion may not realize what time has done to his skills when he thinks about his future. He has not announced his retirement, and he must remember what happened back in 1955 after he had been out of action for two years. In the second bout of his comeback Robinson was defeated by Tiger Jones. He was advised then and there to retire.

Since then Sugar Ray has earned a million dollars. That's before taxes, and it may be Robinson has to fight to ease his financial situation. He can't go on forever.

Basilio announced his retirement last year. Following his last fight with Robinson, he was knocked out twice by Fullmer. Even these setbacks didn't convince the rugged little onion farmer that he was through. It was only when Paul Pender outpointed him in 15 rounds that Carmen decided the time had come to depart the fistic scene.

Basilio, the welterweight champion, was in my opinion a better fighter than Basilio, the middleweight champion. His two savage battles with Tony DeMarco, one in Syracuse and the other in Boston, rank with the best. Both ended with Basilio winning on a knockout in the 12th round.

Ancient Archie Moore may be the exception, although he is well up in his forties. Moore appeared to be a weary warrior outpointing an ineffectual Guilio Rinaldi in his last defense of the world light-heavyweight crown a year ago.

Now we must wonder if making the 175-pound light-heavyweight limit might have slowed old Arch up. He may not have minded when the New York boxing commission, following the lead of the NBA, stripped him of the title. Everybody was ready to write Moore off then, but he has just bounced back with a 10th-round knockout of Alejandro Lavorante, 211-pound Argentinian.

Moore, at 197 pounds, appeared to be his old competent self again. Arch doesn't move around much, depending on his massive arms, rather than his legs. He blocks punches, rather than move away from them.

Rocky Marciano's bout with Moore in 1955 convinced him it was time to retire. Archie had him on the canvas, but in the end the Brockton Blockbuster came through with a knockout in the ninth round.

Marciano had several reasons for his decision. He hadn't been knocked down since Jersey Joe Walcott spilled him early in their first fight, the one Rocky always refers to as the "championship fight," until Ancient Archie turned the trick; both his mother and wife were urging him to quit, and we know now he was at odds with Al Weill, his manager.

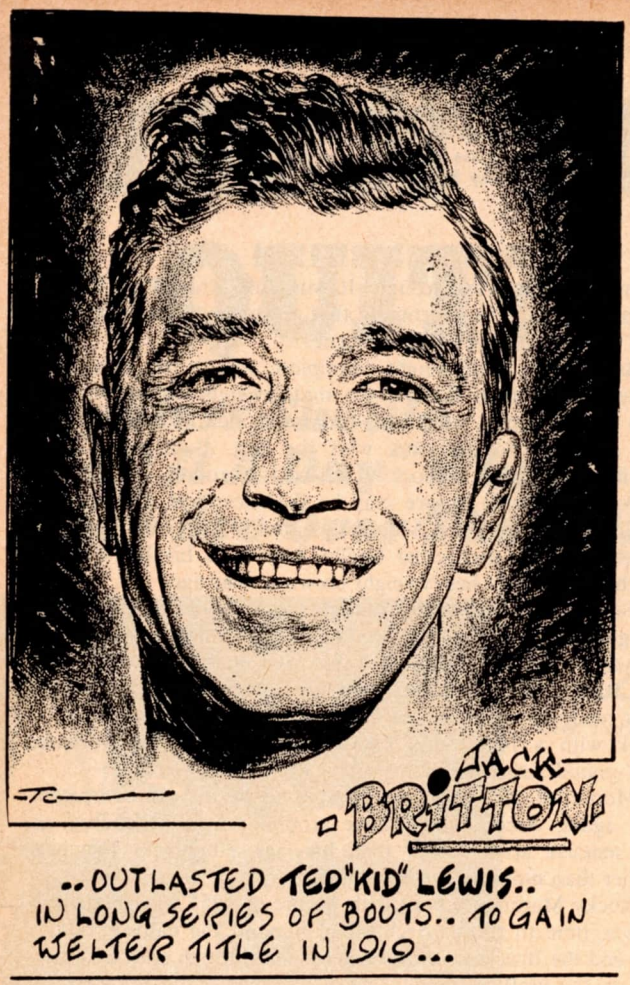
He had injured his back in training, and it gave him considerable pain. Also he had attained financial security. Marciano had nothing to fight for, and nobody to fight. Amazingly he never lost a professional fight in his life. In his retirement, Marciano, one of two undefeated heavyweight champions, has reached the point of no return. It is too late for him to come back, even if he should have the urge.

Gene Tunney believes his last fight, in which he stopped Tom Heeney in the 11th round, was the most skillful performance of his career. Recalling it he has said every thing clicked in unison. Gene's reasons for retiring were different than those of Marciano. He was engaged to be married, and in an era of low taxes, he had become a millionaire. Tunney was at his physical peak when he retired as the undefeated world heavyweight champion.

In his last fight, the "Battle of the Long Count" with Tunney, Jack Dempsey "had no legs." After Tunney got up after being on the canvas 14 seconds, he backpeddled. Dempsey couldn't catch him. He admitted this when he stopped and gestured for Gene to come in and fight.

Dempsey lost that precious half step between his sensational victory over Luis Angel Firpo and his defeat by Tunney on a rainy night at Philadelphia. His three-year lay-off had taken its toll.

The same was true of Joe Louis, and also Billy Conn. Their first fight was a classic, with Louis coming from behind to score a title saving knockout in the 13th round. What followed for Joe and Billy was four years of war. The Army had dulled their pugilistic skills. Louis obtained *(Continued on page 48)*



Jack BRITTON

Master Boxer and Ex-Welterweight Champion, a Busy Ring Campaigner for Quarter-Century, Dies at 76

By JERSEY JONES

THROUGH the years the distinctive label "The Old Master" has been associated exclusively with Joe Gans, but Jack Britton, who died recently in Miami Beach at the age of 76, could easily have disputed Gans' sole right to it.

The ring has known few craftsmen to compare with Britton in skill and generalship. Jack was not an exciting fighter. There was nothing fancy or flashy in his *modus operandi*. He was primarily a defensive boxer, a smooth, easy worker who developed the happy (for him) faculty of getting a maximum of result from a minimum of effort. He wasted little motion and knew every maneuver in the fistic manual—feinting, slipping and blocking punches, sidestepping, countering, keeping his opponent off-balance—and his left hand was one of the most adept the ring has produced.

We recall one night at the old Broadway Sporting Club in Brooklyn when Jack was pitted against rugged, aggressive Silent Martin. Round after round Martin crowded Britton, but couldn't penetrate Jack's shifty defense or avoid that educated left hand which popped into his features with monotonous regularity. The deaf-mute's swings either swished harmlessly through the air or were neatly parried by Britton, who kept poking left jabs and hooks into his frustrated opponent.

For a few rounds the fans enjoyed Britton's smooth performance. As the bout progressed, however, they became bored with the monotony of Martin's swinging and missing and the steady pop-pop-pop of Britton's left hand into the silent one's face. They wanted more action.

Along about the sixth or seventh session, the referee suggested to Britton: "Come on, Jack, throw a few punches."

"What for?" Britton replied, "Isn't he," nodding toward Martin, "throwing enough for both of us?"

A DEFENSIVE MARVEL

The ring has produced few boxers who remained headliners as long as Britton. He was an active campaigner for a quarter-century.

Officially, the record books say that Britton's ring operations, which began in 1905 and ended in 1930, embraced 321 bouts. Impressive though that figure is, the actual total must have been even higher. Statisticians weren't too meticulous in keeping track of ringsters' statistics in the busy years in which Britton fought, and Jack himself was in action so often he must have forgotten to list many of his fights. We once asked him, after he'd retired, how many bouts he thought he'd had, and he replied: "Four hundred; maybe more."

The record books say that Britton's historic series with Ted (Kid) Lewis for the world welterweight title extended through twenty bouts. Both Britton and Lewis maintained the number was twenty-two, but neither supplied the data on the two meetings they insisted were missing from the records.

During World War I, it was estimated that Britton boxed more than 300 exhibitions at army camps and hospitals.

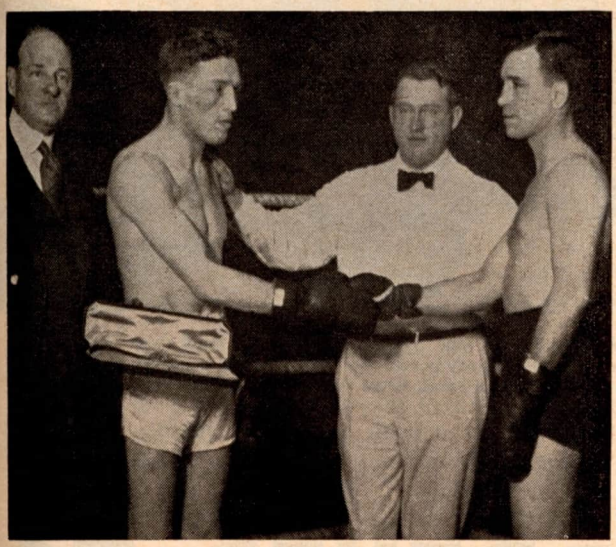
Born William James Breslin in Clinton, N. Y., on October 14, 1885, Jack was reared in Chicago, and he got off to an early start on his boxing career. As a boy, he was tossing gloves around Chicago at smokers and neighborhood clubs. He'd had a fairly sound schooling in the rugged trade when, in 1905, he decided to make boxing his career.

During his long, industrious service in the ring, Britton was knocked out only once, and that was in his first official year of fighting, 1905, when a Steve Kinney stopped him in Chicago. Nobody ever did it again, although Jack was in there with just about all the top lightweights and welterweights—and many of the leading middleweights as well—before he finally hung up his competitive mittens.

To list only some of the many headliners Britton met, there were Willie Ritchie, Ray Bronson, Bert Keyes, Young (Yi-Yi) Erne, Matty Baldwin, Packey McFarland, Leach Cross, Phil

Bloom, Charley White, Joe Welling, Kid Graves, Lockport Jimmy Duffy, Soldier Bartfield, Mike O'Dowd, Jack Perry, Lou Bogash, Eddie Shevlin, Johnny Griffiths, Bryan Downey, Johnny Tillman, Leo Houck, Steve Latzo, Jock Malone, Tommy Robson, Mickey Walker, Frankie Schoell, Bermondsey Billy Wells, Morrie Schlaifer, Jimmy Jones and Dave Shade.

Many of these opponents Britton met not once but often. He tangled with Mike O'Dowd four times before Mike won the middleweight title. He was a troublesome foeman for the dazzling Packey McFarland on three occasions. He and Johnny



End of long, historic series between Britton (right) and Lewis resulted in decisive 15-round victory for Jack in Madison Square Garden on February 7, 1921. Also seen in this camera shot are Announcer Joe Humphreys and Referee Johnny Haukop.

Griffiths had no less than ten get-togethers, and Soldier Bartfield was his vis-a-vis in eight meetings. Six dates were filled by him and Johnny Tillman.

BRITTON OUTLASTED LEWIS

Britton outlasted Lewis in their marathon series, which began March 26, 1915, and ended February 7, 1921. The talented Britisher had the better of the early episodes, but Britton gradually evened the score and went out ahead at the finish.

Of the twenty bouts officially listed in the record books, Britton was winner in four, Lewis in three, one was called a draw and the remaining twelve were no-decision affairs, with never too much to choose between the rivals.

The series, covering a total of 224 rounds, was well scattered around the landscape. Five bouts were held in New York, four in Boston, and single engagements spread among Brooklyn, New Orleans, Cincinnati, Buffalo, Toronto, Dayton, St. Louis, Atlanta, Canton, Scranton and Jersey City.

The only knockout in the lot was produced by Britton. Jack selected an appropriate date for the memorable occasion. What could have been more fitting and proper than for an Irishman to demolish an Englishman on St. Patrick's Day? It was on March 17, 1919, that Jack stopped Lewis in the ninth round in Canton, Ohio.

In the final meeting of the series, staged in old Madison Square Garden, Britton was a decisive winner in fifteen rounds.

FINALLY LOST TO YOUTH

Inevitably, his long, industrious career was bound to catch up to Britton, and Jack was 37 when young, strong, aggressive, hard-hitting Mickey Walker relieved him of the welterweight title by whipping him in fifteen rounds in the old Garden late in 1922.

That Jack was already beginning to fade was evidenced earlier that year when he risked his precious laurels against the superlative lightweight champion, Benny Leonard, at the New York Velodrome.

Frankly, Benny didn't want Britton's title. Benny was champion of a lively division, and that was sufficient for him. Britton was a grand old guy; why not let him hold on to his laurels a while longer?

The reason for the match was that it was an exceptional box-office attraction, and represented a good payday for both rivals.

While Leonard didn't want to win, neither did he want to lose. He hoped to make the match close enough to influence the officials into calling it a draw. There was no "pre-arrangement" with the Britton contingent. The idea was strictly Leonard's and Manager Billy Gibson's.

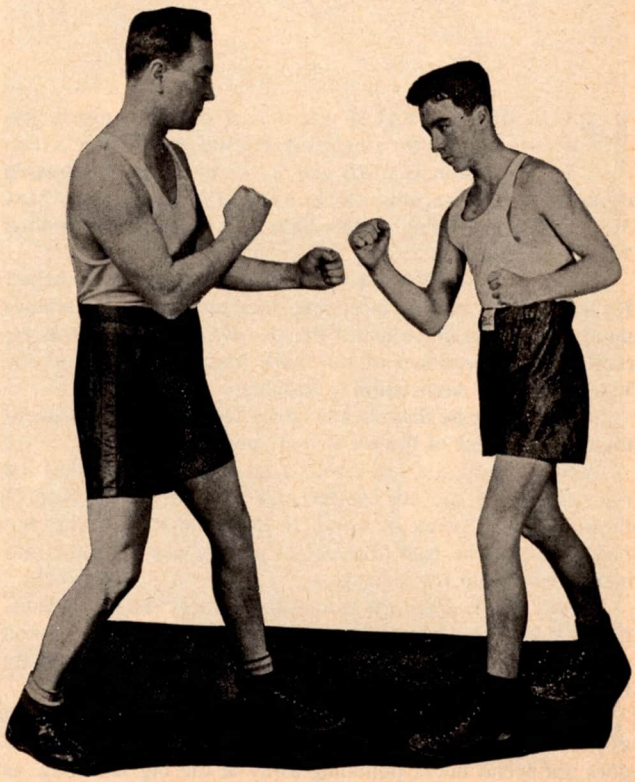
One of the keenest students the ring has ever known, Leonard calculated that the aging Britton would have difficulty going the fifteen rounds at the speedy pace Benny was capable of setting and maintaining. The veteran likely would tire in the closing sessions.

Leonard paced himself accordingly. His plan was to let Britton have the better of the early milling, then he would come on gradually and even the score toward the finish.

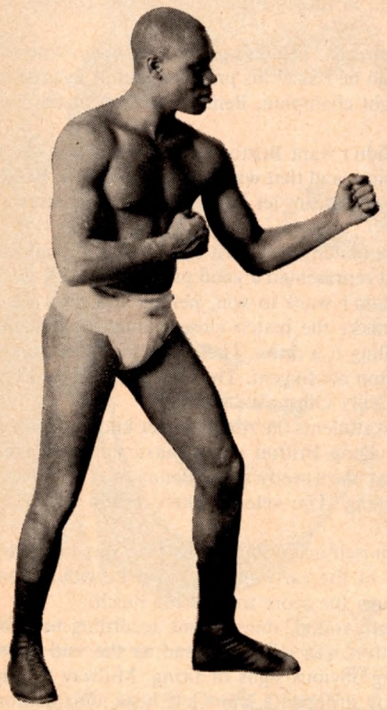
Until the thirteenth round, things went according to Leonard's schedule. Britton was slightly ahead at the end of the tenth, but displaying obvious signs of tiring. Midway through the thirteenth, Benny dropped a short left hook into Britton's body. The punch didn't seem to pack much power, but Jack sagged to the canvas.

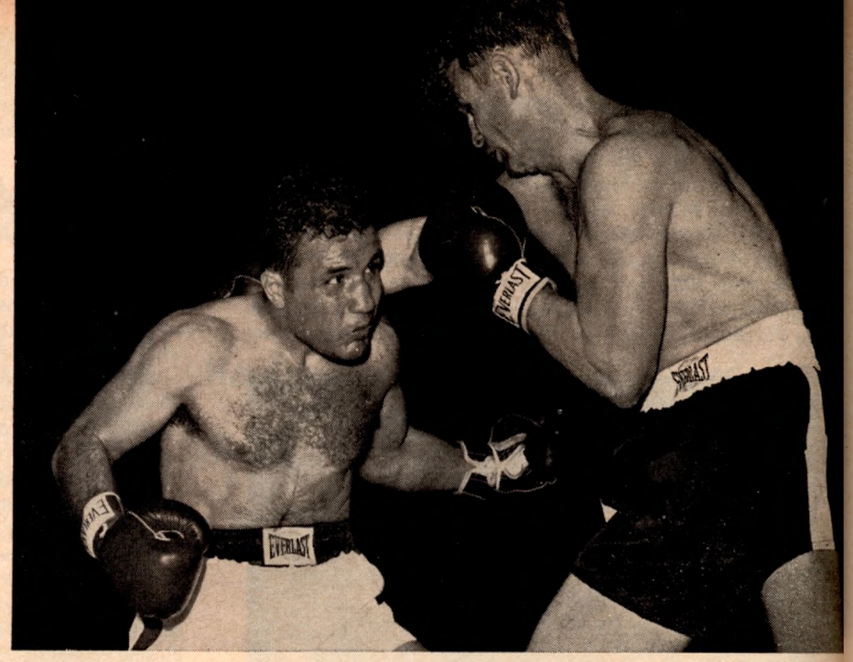
This was an unexpected development, and Leonard did a heap of thinking in a hurry. The bout still had two and a half rounds to go, and if Britton was this weary now, how could he last the rest of the way?

As Referee Patsy Haley was counting over Britton, Leonard suddenly reached over and hit the veteran while he was down. Haley promptly disqualified Benny—and Britton remained welterweight champion a few *(Continued on page 46)*



(Right)—Jack Britton had big ambitions for his son Bobby, and spent many hours grooming him for a ring career, but the young man never realized his dad's fond hopes. After meeting with only moderate success, Bobby quit the rugged trade.





(Left) Sam Langford, the all-time great, who said *"Kill the Body and the Head Dies"*. Jake LaMotta, known as the "Bronx Bull" was a punishing body puncher as can be seen in above photo. He is about to land a hard right to the ribs. Jake used this attack to the "wind" to wear down his foes and set up most of his victories.

WHAT HAPPENED TO BODY PUNCHING?

By PAUL BERLENBACH
(former Light Heavyweight Champion)
as told to Lew Eskin

PAUL BERLENBACH was one of the most gifted athletes to take up the ring sport. He was an Olympic wrestling champion in 1920 and AAU wrestling and boxing champion before turning pro in 1923. Two years later, May 30, 1925, he won the world's light heavyweight title beating Mike McTigue.

Known as "Oom Paul" he was a devastating body puncher. He has kept his interest in boxing since retirement. He attends many shows, always watches the televised fights. He was recently elected president of the newly formed Ring 21 of the Veteran Boxers' Association in Brooklyn.

In this article he discusses what he feels has brought about the disappearance of the art of body punching.

"You can't drive a spike with a tack hammer. It takes the right tools and the correct leverage to send a heavy spike through a solid plank of wood. In the same way it takes the proper use of the back muscles to get the needed force into body blows to do real damage.

"Today this is a lost art among the fighters. That is a question that has often been asked of me and one that I have asked myself many times watching the inept body attacks used by the present day ringmen.

"For one thing," said Paul, "the fighter today does not spend as much time as he should in the gym learning his trade. He does not spend hours pounding away at the big sand bag, as we oldtimers use to do. It is my belief that it is on the sand bag that a fighter learns how to properly deliver his blows. According to Berlenbach, the present day fighter works one or two rounds on the big bag and lets it go at that, whereas when he fought the man spent hours pounding away at the sand bag.

"Practice makes perfect," says Paul, "but today's boxer doesn't get enough practice. In the old days, few fighters reached the main bout class until they had three or four years experience as a preliminary boy, but today most main bout boxers have had less than twenty fights. In my day that was less than a year's activity.

"True, I reached the top quickly. Sometimes I think in looking back, too quickly. I had a reputation from my days as an amateur wrestler and boxer and in my eleventh fight, I was matched with Jack Delaney in the first of our four fights. That was the only bout I lost before winning the title from Mike McTigue.

"As I said I reached the top quickly, I scored twenty-three knockouts in my first twenty-eight fights. Most of them with body punches either finishing off my opponents, or setting them up for the finisher.

"You might say that my career was similar to that of to-day's fighter in the short time it took me to reach the top. This is true —yet untrue.

"I spent long hours in the gym and had many, many amateur fights before turning pro. In watching today's fighters in action, I often notice that they have the wrong stance to be effective with their body blows.

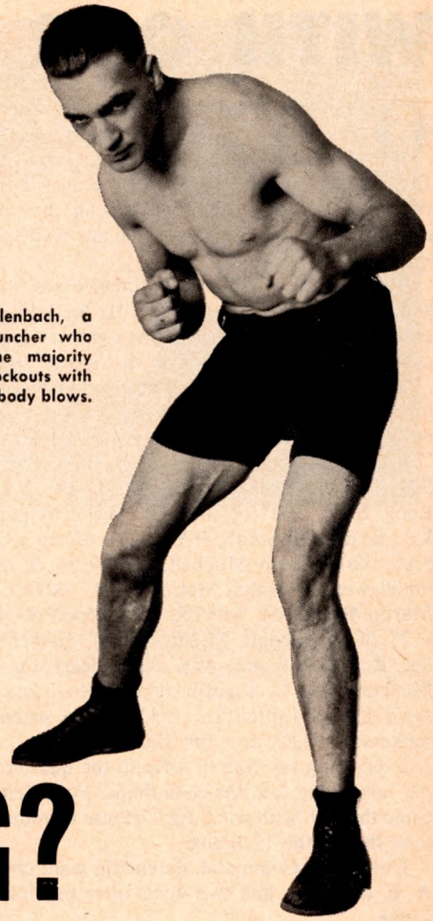
"They stand squarely in front of their opponent," he said "and when they punch to the body, it is with quick flurries of blows. True they land and are thrown much faster than I and other oldtimers used to throw our blows. But think, when was the last time you saw a man, either knocked down or out with a punch to the body?

"Today's fighters are arm punchers," he declares. Paul says they swing with their arms, and do not get the proper leverage needed to deliver a real powerful punch. Not only with body punching is this true he pointed out. That is why there are so few one punch knockouts. His opinion is that most of today's kayos come after a flurry of punches.

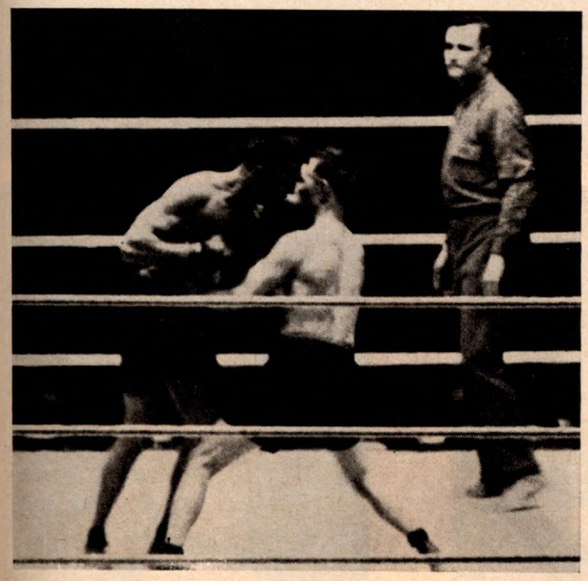
"I was taught never to stand full face with an opponent," he continued. "One should stand at an angle so that he can get full leverage behind his punches as I did. I punched with my whole body behind my blows. Most of the fighters of my time and before, did the same.

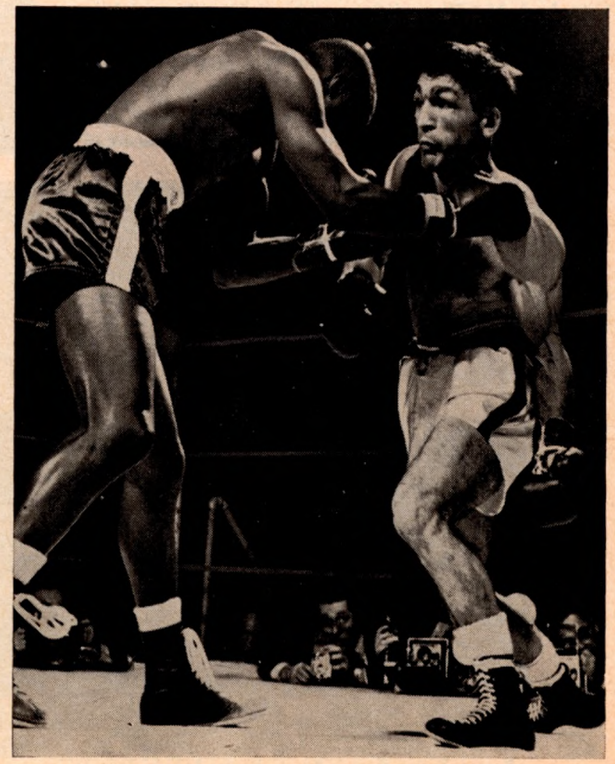
"I have heard the story that today's fighters eat better and are better conditioned. That is why they take body punches better. That is a lot of bunk. The old timers all did heavy labor even as kids. We might have been smaller but we were a lot tougher than the boxers of today."

In order to get power in body punches, Berlenbach says one has to dig in, not only with the feet, but with arms and body. Today's approach he declares is *(Continued on page 48)*



Paul Berlenbach, a terrific puncher who scored the majority of his knockouts with powerful body blows.





(Above) the fight in which Paul gained the crown, beating Mike McTigue on May 30, 1925. The photo shows both men landing hard smashes to the body. (Right) Carmen Basilio, a potent left hooker is shown slamming a hook deep into the body of Johnny Saxton during their rubber bout in Cleveland in which Carmen kayoed Saxton in the second round.

WITH OUR SERVICEMEN — By JOHNNY ORT

OTIS AIR BASE — The world-wide air force boxing championships which brought together the cream of the talent from many bases, went off without a hitch. The competition was keen and the crowds were enthusiastic. Although a number of bouts during the week were quickly ended, the majority were well fought and well received by the spectators.

The finals were not over on time to meet the current edition and will be listed in the next. In the semi-finals, only three contests went the distance, while a gathering of 2700, a capacity crowd, watched the action at the Sports center.

Ralph McCoy, the defending welterweight champion, who moved up to the light-middleweights this year, tko'd Carl Finerson when Finerson failed to come out for the second round.

Lightweight—Jim Richardson, PAF, ko'd Calvin Allen, SAC, 1:52 of the first. George Haslett, PAF, tko'd Michael Long, SAC, 1:05 of the first. Welterweight—Ken Sulovsky, UC, ko'd Herb Smith, PAF, 1:20 of the second. Sam Bancy, SAC, ko'd Sherm Mitchell, UC, 0:54 of the second. Light-middleweight—Ralph McCoy, ADC, tko'd Carl Finerson, 1st. Martin Berzewski, MATS, ko'd Woodrow Hammond, SAC, 2:25 of the second. Middleweight—Daniel Scott, UNICOM, dec. Robert Williams, ADC. Dean Harrison, ADC, dec. Elmer Mayberry, ATC. Light-heavyweight—Larry Singleton, SAC, tko'd Lether Loften Jr., 0:35 of the second. Robert Christopherson, ADC, dec. Jim Harris, ADC.

Everything ran true to form in the quarter finals with favorites advancing into the semi-finals. Four defending champions came through with wins. Air Defense Command, the host team, took five of the 12 bouts.

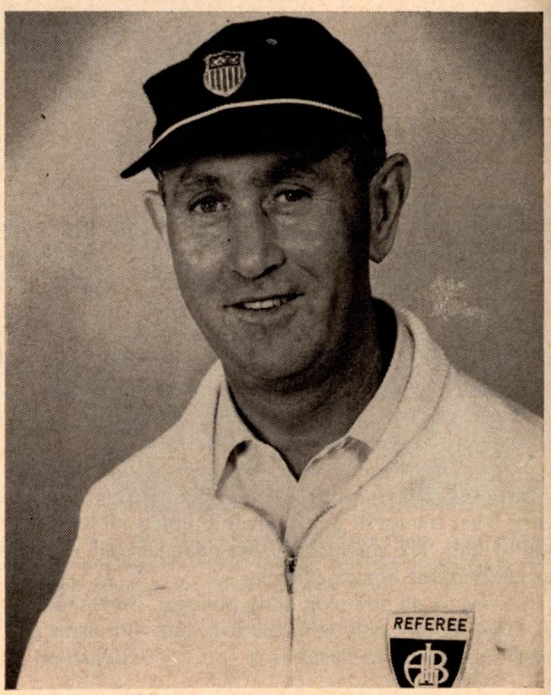
United Air Command, defending team champs from Bolling A. F. B. lost its first two fights after previously winning six in a row.

Bronze medal Olympian Quincey Daniels, Seattle, Washington, Air Training Command, stopped Ed Chevalier of Jersey City, N. J. MATS, in defense of his light welterweight crown in the second round.

Middleweight defender Dean Harrison of San Francisco ADC, outpointed Bill McMullin of Cincinnati UAC. Lewis Reynolds of Washington, D. C. UAC, opened defense of his heavyweight crown by outpointing Melvin Johnson of Washington, D. C., ATC.

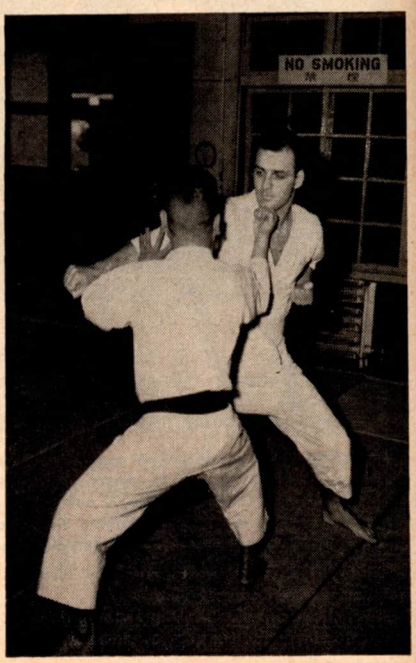
Fred Lewis, last year's light heavy champ from Phoenix and ADC, outpointed Ronald Pettis of LaPorte, Ind., ATC, while competing in the heavyweight bracket.

A Joliet man, Robert J. Surkein, was named chief referee of the National Amateur Athletic Union Boxing tournament held at the Cincinnati (O.) Gardens. Surkein is chief of transportation at the Ordnance Ammunition Command. He is an internationally accredited referee for both professional and amateur boxing matches. In addition to a 1960 Olympic games refereeing assignment in Rome, he refereed amateur matches in Egypt, Germany, Sweden and the Netherlands. He retired from the army a year ago after completing twenty years of military service.



Robert J. Surkein, was chief referee at the National Amateur Athletic Union Boxing Tournament held at Cincinnati Gardens.

In between the years 1946-1958 he refereed the European military championship matches and the International amateur matches in Germany, Italy, Sweden and the Netherlands. Also during these years he worked in the CISM matches in Europe and Cairo, Egypt. He also *(Continued on page 43)*



Karate Master Seikichi Toguchi demonstrates the proper Karate method of blocking a boxer's punch with a throat blow to Novice Ed Wenger.

Here are some of the members of the Tachikawa AB Karate Club. From the left are Ed Wenger, Joe Serrano, Jim Black, Toshio Oda, Eiji Shijo and Yoshinobu Kurosa. Facing them is Karate Master Seikichi Toguchi.

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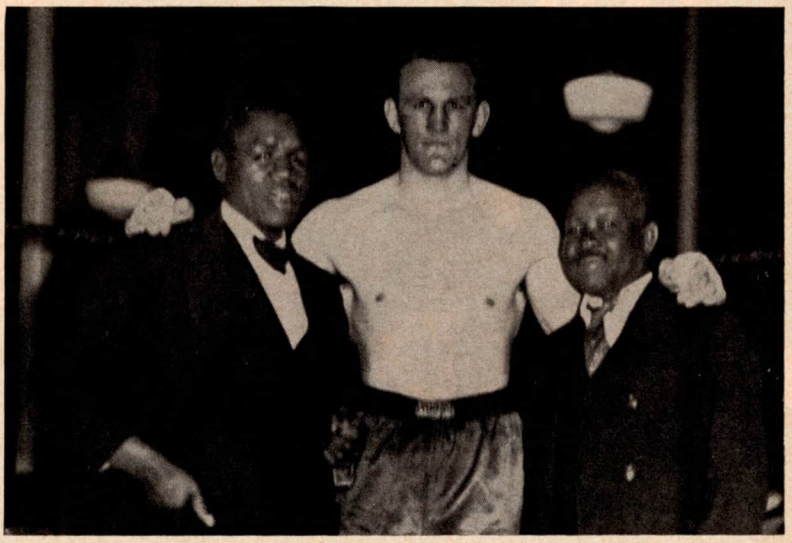
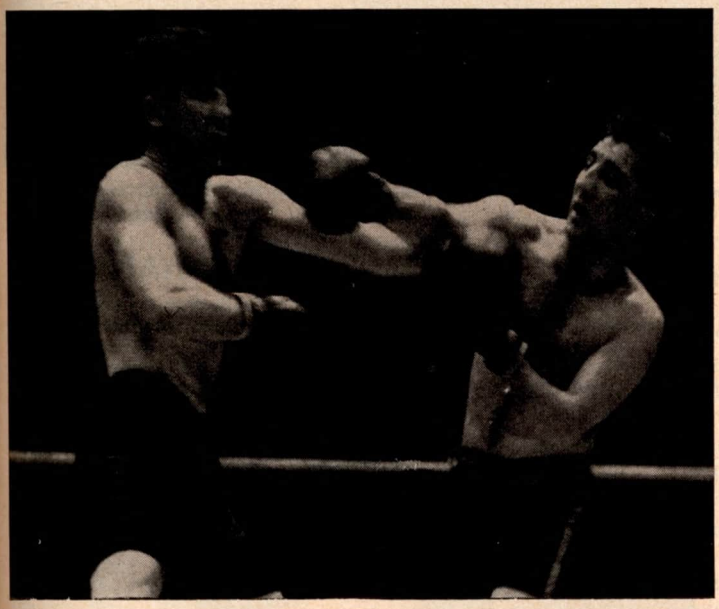


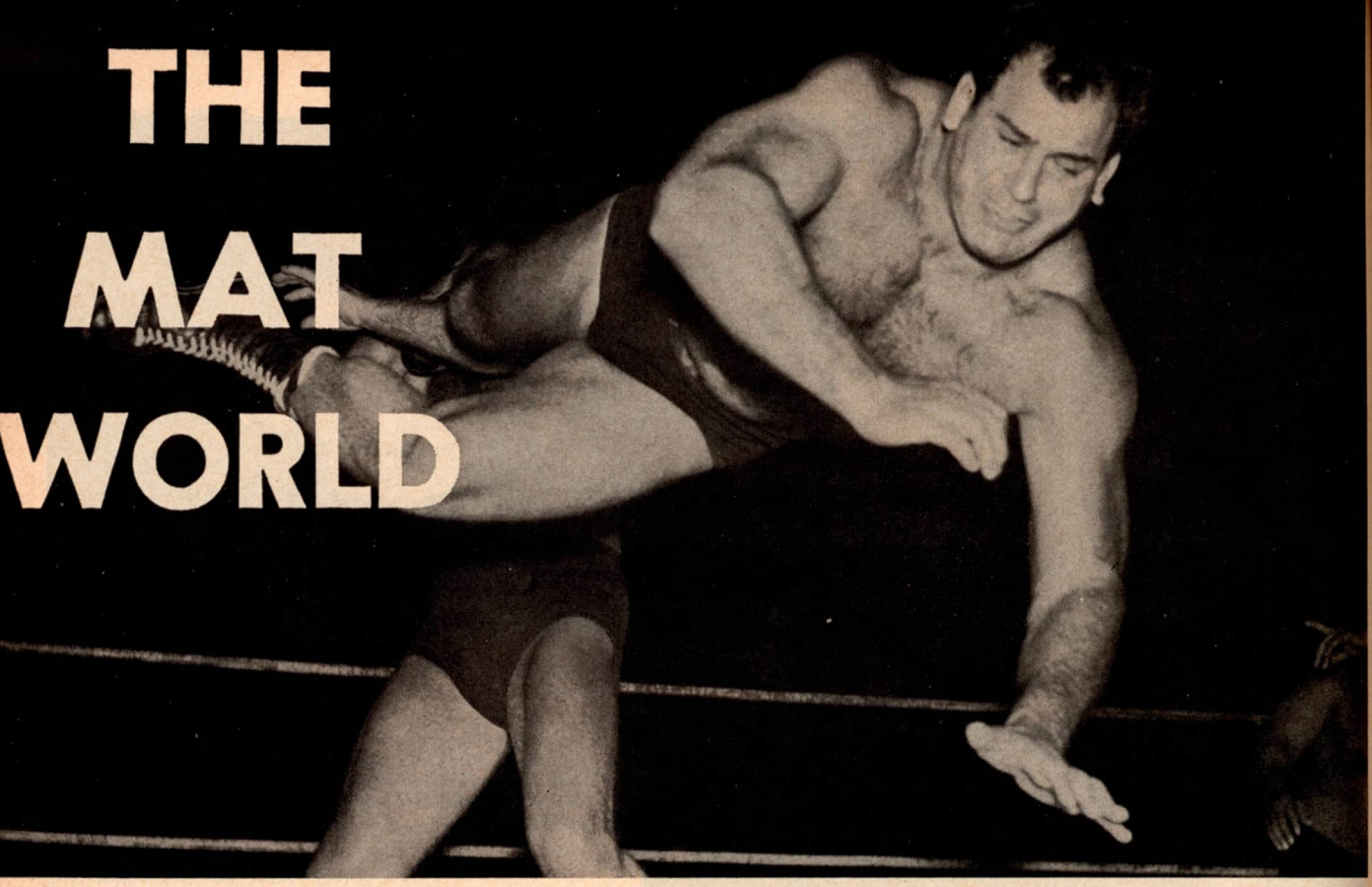
(Above)—Before tragedy overtook him in his bout with Primo Carnera in Madison Square Garden in 1933, Ernie Schaaf was seen in excellent company in the gymnasium, flanked by two of the ring's all-time greats, Sam Langford (left) and the original Joe Walcott.



(Above) — Middleweight Champion Vince Dundee edging out former champion Ben Jeby in a close ten-rounder in Chicago Stadium in 1934. Vince was part of another successful brother act, which produced two champions. Before Vince ascended middleweight throne, older brother Joe had held the welterweight title.

(Below)—Boxing was a family affair with the Mitchells of Milwaukee. Billy (center) did the managing for Pinkey (left) and Richie. The trio formed one of the most popular brother acts in the ring. Pinkey became a junior welterweight champion while Richie was a top contender for the lightweight laurels.

THE MAT WORLD



At the San Francisco Cow Palace where top wrestling shows have been run for years, Guy and Joe Brunetti tag teamed successfully against a top team composed of Mitzu Arakawa and Kenji Shibuya.

THE STORY OF PAUL BOESCH . . . WRESTLER TURNS AUTHOR

In The Ring Museum is a long barrelled Luger pistol. It bears a card indicating that the weapon was a gift from Lt. Paul Boesch in 1945.

That symbol of victory over tyranny in Europe was proudly placed in our valuable collection shortly after Boesch, his uniform decorated with 2 Silver Stars, an equal number of Bronze Stars, a pair of Purple Hearts, the Combat Infantryman's Badge and the Presidential Unit Citation, returned from a year in Europe as an Infantry company officer during World War II.

It had been taken from a German soldier in the capture of Huertgen, the key to the battle of the Huertgen Forest which was the key to the Seigfried Line in the area just below Aachen and Cologne.

The story of that battle as seen through the eyes of a man who has spent 30 years in the wrestling game, has now been told in a book published by Gulf Publishing Co. of Houston, Texas. The book, written entirely by Boesch, is titled *"ROAD TO HUERTGEN—FOREST IN HELL"*.

Readers of RING in all parts of the world will find Boesch's name familiar. For almost 3 decades this magazine has followed his career from the time he started in 1932 after a brilliant career as a lifeguard at Long Beach, New York, where he is credited with having participated in over 500 rescues.

Through the first ten years of his career Paul met champions like Jim Londes, Jim Browning, Ed Lewis, Dick Shikat, Danno O'Mahoney, Wild Bill Longson and all of the top names of the day.

MEN ***OFFICIAL WORLD RATINGS***

1. Buddy Rogers
2. Pat O'Connor
3. Bob "Cowboy" Ellis
4. Johnny Valentine
5. Rikidozen
6. Fred Blassie
7. Antonino Rocca
8. Edward Carpentier
9. Don Leo Jonathon
10. Verne Gagne

By NAT LOUBET

A new face among the gal grapplers who shapes up as a welcome addition to Buddy Lee's troupe due to her charm, good looks and wrestling ability. Her name is Carol Little from Oklahoma City, Oklahoma and she stands 5' 7" of shapely muscle packing 147 pounds of dynamite. At 24 years of age Carol has audience experience behind her. She has been associated with rodeos in the Mid-West and Canada for the past eight years.

WOMEN

1. Fabulous Moolah
2. June Byers
3. Rita Cortez
4. Penny Banner
5. Judy Grable
6. Evelyn Stevens
7. Fran Gravette
8. Millie Stafford
9. Rose Roman
10. Louise Greene

TAG TEAMS

1. Bob Ellis and Johnny Valentine
2. The Kangaroos (Al Costello and Roy Heffernan)
3. Alberto and Ramon Torres
4. Skull Murphy and Brute Bernard
5. Ray Stevens and Art Nelson
6. Stan Kowalski and Bob Geigel
7. Ivan and Karol Kalmikoff
8. Kurt and Karl Von Brauner
9. Eddie Graham and Dick Steinborn
10. Tiny Mills and Joe Scarpello

THE FAN CLUB CORNER

Those interested in becoming a member of the Wrestling Wrangles International Fan Club should write to Melba Filson, 3247 Deerfield Rd., Brooklyn 11, New York.

Steven Supakoff of 2831 Locust Ave., Ronkonkoma, Long Island, New York, writes that he has two new fc's, one for the beautious Carol Little and the other for Haystack Calhoun. . . . Fans of these two should help by joining.

A new Steven, "Mr. America" Stanlee, fc has been formed under the headup of Edna May Wentworth, 155 So. Fitzhugh St., Rochester 8, N. Y. Word from Donna re her new fc for the Fabulous Kangeroos. Those who may wish to become members contact Donna at 654 East 224th St., Bronx 66, New York.

For those who like pretty faces and curves with their wrestlers there has come into being an fc for a pretty head, Baby Cheryl. Mary Hasley heads it up and she holds forth at R.R. 6-Faye St., Marietta, Ohio.

A LETTER

Dear Friends:

The 8TH ANNUAL WRESTLING FAN CLUB CONVENTION will be held in Indianapolis, Indiana, July 27-28-29th, at the Claypool Hotel, 14 North Illinois Street.

The Chairman must know by July 1, 1962 if you are planning to attend so they can know how many to plan for.

The cost of the Convention will be $6.25 (this does not include your hotel bill.) The money must be in the hands of the chairman by July 15.

Mr. Balk Estes (promoter) has promised an excellent card for the Friday night match. There will also be an outstanding TV match on Saturday.

If you have any further questions please write me. Mrs. Betty J. VonHagel, 3746 South New Jersey Street, Indianapolis, 27, Indiana.

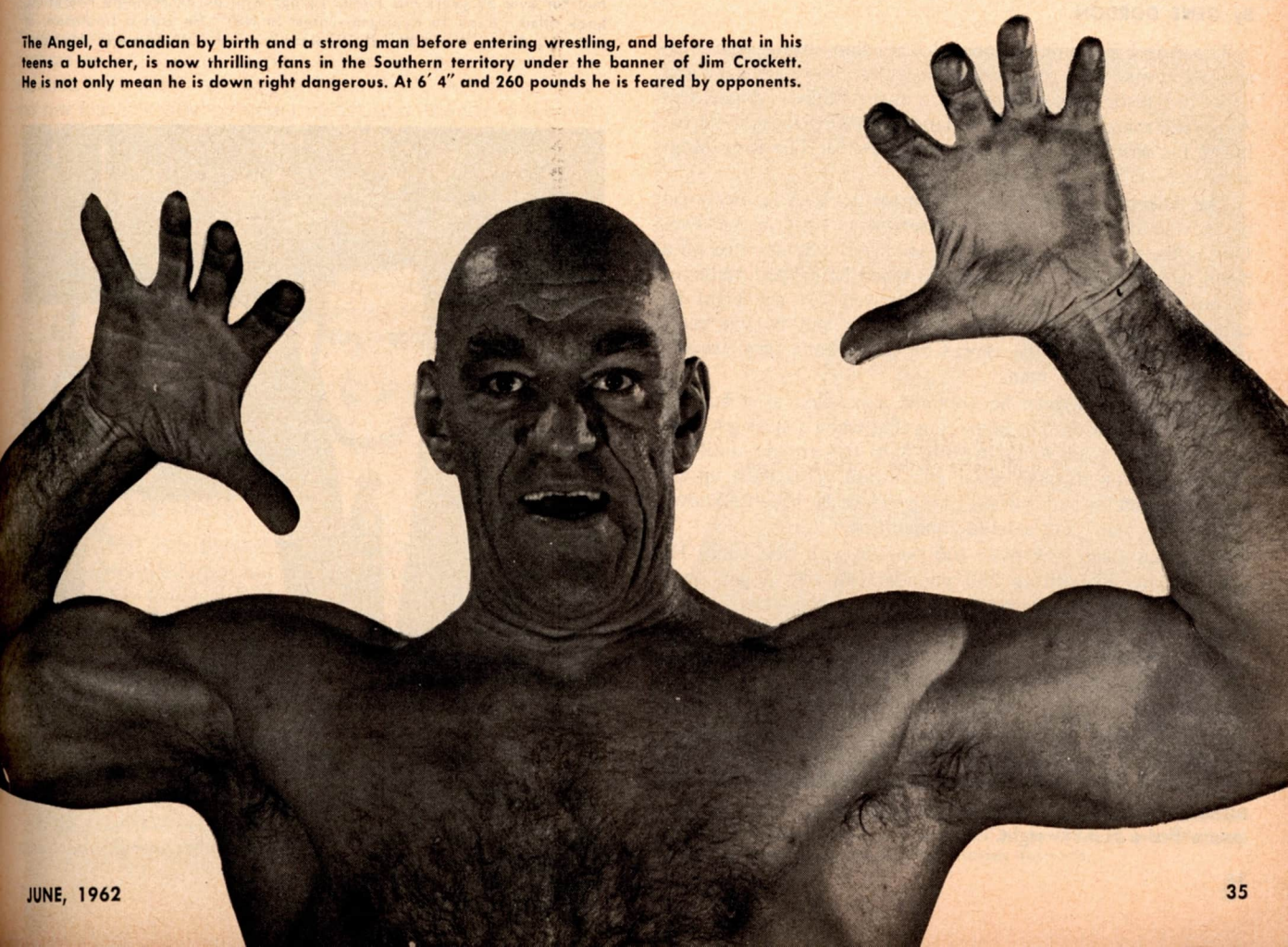
INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WRESTLING FAN CLUBS CONVENTION
Under Auspices of BETTE KRIEGER
79 Stevens Avenue, Cedar Grove, N. J.

Greetings, to all fans and Fan Clubs, from coast to coast:

Kindly read the following, with extreme care, and consideration, and let us hear from you—real soon.

1. We hope that we can expect you at the New York City Convention, at Convention headquarters, on Friday, June 22nd, Saturday, June 23rd, and Sunday, June 24th, 1962.

The Angel, a Canadian by birth and a strong man before entering wrestling, and before that in his teens a butcher, is now thrilling fans in the Southern territory under the banner of Jim Crockett. He is not only mean he is down right dangerous. At 6′ 4″ and 260 pounds he is feared by opponents.



2. How many of your Club Members do you think will be able to attend the convention?

3. Would you kindly send money order, or check, covering the cost of tickets, sold by you, at $6.25 each, to whoever you received your tickets from, as soon as possible? Thank you—

4. All arrangements are now being planned for many special activities . . . for your pleasure. . . .

5. On Friday and Saturday, June the 22nd, and the 23rd, top notch wrestling shows, all are Vince McMahan star promotions, with top name stars on each card, some of these stars, may be from your home town . . . won't it be fun to meet, and greet them in New York City? Adding to this, is of course many other activities, all of which we are sure, will please you . . . while you are guests in the big City . . .

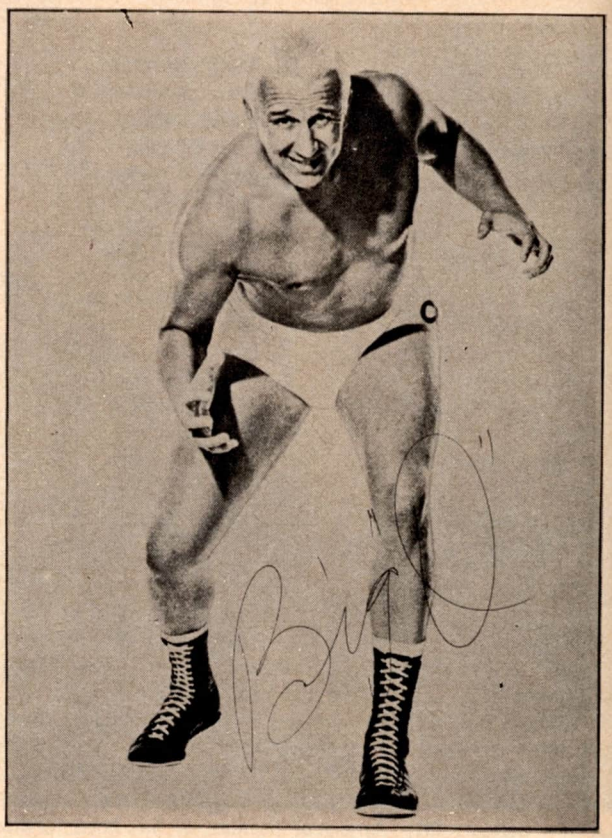
6. Sunday, June 24th, a gala get together meeting and rally will take place at convention headquarters, the new and Beautiful Edison Hotel, about 3 P.M. then at 6 P.M. The Banquet Dinner-Dance, and Reception, will be held in the "Grand Ball Room"—

7. Your Promoters, Sportswriters, News Editors, the Wrestlers, male and female stars, many with their managers, you will delight in seeing them all at this gala affair . . .

8. Local and out of town entertainers, will be doing their very best to entertain you with their talent. At the present time, we are getting in touch with the wrestlers, who have many talents, other than wrestling, who will try to keep everyone happy Do not forget the "star event," "A Miss America of the Mat," crowned, before your very eyes . . .

9. All tickets for the convention, can be ordered from Bette Krieger, 79 Stevens Avenue, Cedar Grove, New Jersey.

Let us know how many you wish to take.



Above: a typical pose of the "Big O," Bob Orton, who has been doing good work in the East. Below: Paul Boesch, a wrestler who met the best on the mat for over 30 years has turned author with an exceedingly interesting book titled. "Road To Huertgen—Forest In Hell." He was a Lieutenant in the army during World War II. His story is printed elsewhere in this issue.

THE ANGEL
By GENE GORDON

The Angel is a mild mannered Canadian strong man with ape-like arms, who goes beserk once he climbs between the ropes to wrestle. Not too articulate in the English tongue The Angel still managed to convey many interesting facts about his life to the writer in an exclusive interview for The Ring Magazine.

The Angel comes from hardy pioneer stock. A farmer's son he showed signs of remarkable strength as early as age two. During the building of a barn the youngster got stranded on a beam twenty feet in the ozone and when he slipped managed to hold on to a beam until help arrived. At age eight he could outwrestle any lad twice his years and by ten years of age he was doing the chores on his father's farm usually reserved for a grown man.

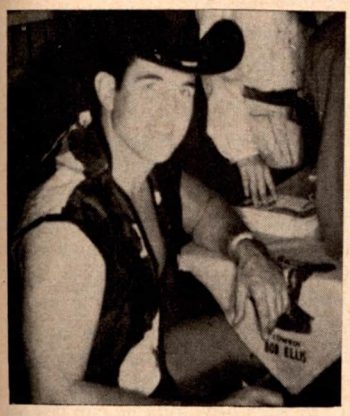
When he was sixteen he obtained a position as a butcher in a slaughter house. The story runs that when a steer got hard to handle our man would wrestle it to the ground until the animal gave up through sheer exhaustion. This built up his steel-like muscles and it wasn't long before he became known as a 'strong man" and entered competition.

He could clean jerk over 200 pounds with one hand. He pulled stunts like lifting 200 pounds with one finger. In a Carnival he easily collected $100 put up by the show's strong man for anyone who could defeat him. He did.

The Angel then took physical instruction to further build up his powerful frame. He was soon bending horseshoes around his neck and tearing telephone directories in half. After garnering many strong man titles, The Angel turned to professional wrestling and made his debut in 1949.

Since that date he has steadily climbed to the fore and has turned to acting as sideline. His most recent role was in "Requiem For a Heavyweight."

"Cowboy" Bob Ellis, who has catapulted into prominence since The Ring nominated him as "Hero of The Year." As a tag team combo with Johnny Valentine he has been sensational.



Left to right: Count Billy Varga, American heavyweight champ, Theresa Hanson, who was voted the Fur Rendevous Queen, and the Count's son who is a good athlete and hopes to follow in his Dad's footsteps.

FRAN GRAVETTE
By VI REUTHER

Fran was born in Medicine Hat, Alberta, Canada, on March 24, 1938. She attended school in Calgary, Alberta, Canada, which she still calls home. Fran has always been active in sports and in high school took part in almost all of them. Her special interest in high school was basketball and she also majored in physical education. Fran's earliest ambition was to become an ice skater. That was before she spent two months vacation with some relatives in Little Rock, Arkansas, when she saw her first girls' wrestling match, and decided to become one herself.

Fran is usually a scientific wrestler, that is until her opponent gets her dander up. Then she can dish it out just as rough as the next one. Although being one of the top ten Girl Wrestlers she is kept pretty busy making television and radio appearances. She specializes in flying drop-kicks and head scissors.

When it comes to hobbies, Fran has a variety of them. They include the following: Dancing, listening to relaxable records, shopping for pretty clothes, horse-back riding, going to good movies and reading.

In the future, Fran hopes to buy a large cattle ranch and also some of the best riding horses.

She is not married and in her spare time likes to travel.

NEW YORK WRESTLING
By JOHN QUAGLIARELLO

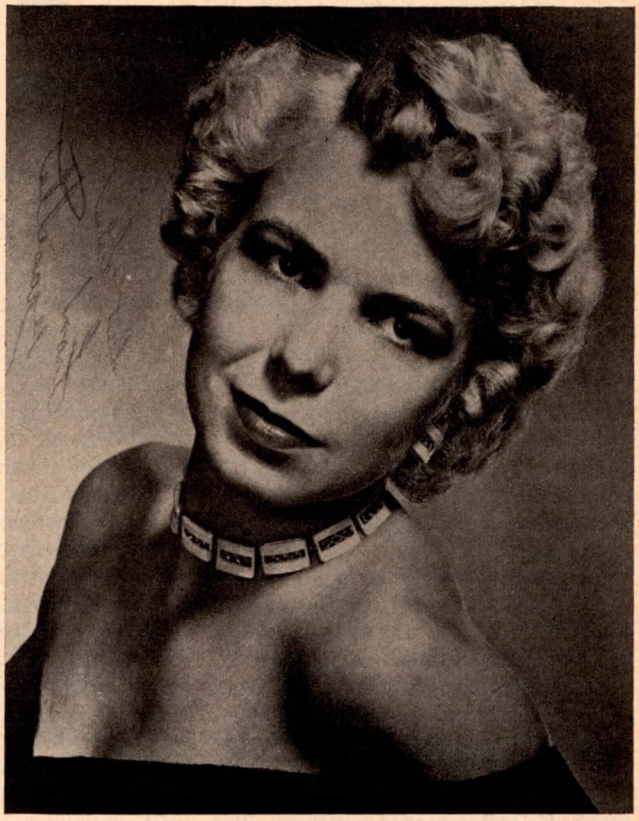
Over 18,000 fans flooded into Madison Square Garden to see the long-awaited title bout between champion Buddy Rogers and challenger Cowboy Bob Ellis. A fine supporting card of seven other matches was also lined up. These alone were well worth the price of admission.

In the feature, Buddy and the Cowboy battled it out on fairly even terms for the first half hour. Rogers' experience, skill and overall- wrestling ability finally paid off as he put Ellis in the dreaded figure-four grapevine. He had a hard time putting it on the game Cowboy, but once on it stuck, Time: 33 minutes 42 seconds.

Three great tag team matches were held. In the feature of these, Johnny Valentine and Antonino Rocca emerged victorious over Skull Murphy and Brute Bernard, two falls out of three.

The Fabulous Kangaroos bested Billy Darnell and Miguel Perez; Shohei Baba and Yukio battled to a draw with Wildcat Orton and The Great Scott.

The four preliminary bouts *(Continued on following page)*



Fran Gravette, of Alberta, Canada, whose fast wrestling techniques has earned her a place among top grapplers in the U.S.A. A scientific type she can be rough and rugged when occasion demands.

were all main events in themselves! Sailor Thomas returned to the Garden and obliterated Angelo Savoldi. Pampero Firpo stopped the previously unbeaten Greek, Kostas Papalazarus. Finally, two newcomers to New York returned to the area after a long absence. One of them, the Flying Frenchman named Edourdo Carpentier, sensationally defeated Larry Simon. Ed's one of the few men who have beaten Buddy Rogers more than once. (He also held the great Antonino Rocca to a draw.)

The other newcomer was Johnny Rougeau, a traveling companion of Ed's. Johnny battled to a scientific draw with popular Mark Lewin.

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EASTERN NEWS AND ACTION
By EARLE YETTER

There will be no appreciable let-up in wrestling during the warm months. In different parts of New York State, Promoter Pedro Martinez will take to outside arenas where the fans can relax and watch the action under the stars.

Don Leo Jonathan, 300-pound Mormon, has laid claim to the World heavyweight championship. He makes no bones about the statement that Buddy Rogers has repeatedly refused to meet him in a world title bout.

To decide who had the right to wear the American Wrestling Association title, a tournament was held in Denver last year and Don Leo emerged as the undisputed champion after defeating Killer Kowalski in one of the most gruelling battles ever seen in Denver.

Buddy Rogers is still recognized as the legitimate champion of the world by the National Wrestling Alliance.

Those rowdy Russians, Karol and Ivan Kalmikoff have excelled the record of the Gallagher Brothers in Buffalo, N. Y., and at this writing have eleven consecutive victories to their credit.

One of the most promising rookies to come East in a long time is young Bobby Graham of St. Louis, Mo. Although wrestling professionally but two years, this youngster who packs 240 pounds on a sturdy frame, has what it takes to be a coming star. A protege of Bobby Bruns, 22 year old Bobby has the unique quality of fighting back when he is hurt. In Buffalo, N. Y. he flattened 470-pound Haystack Muldoon in 39 seconds with a lightning-like drop-kick for a notable victory. You will hear more about this youngster.

Ah! these glamorous wrestlers. Now Steve Stanlee has started a possible movie career. He will appear in a picture called "Requiem of a Heavyweight" which will be released this month.

Le Bourreau de Bethune, France's Most Colorful and hated villains of the mat. De Bethune makes the fans hoot and boo wherever he appears but he packs them in.

One of the greatest bouts seen in Buffalo this season was that between Don Leo Jonathan and Ilio Di Paolo. Although it ended in a stalemate, the fans saw just about everything in the book of wrestling. In a rematch, the boys again put on another stellar exhibition of "wrestling as it should be" but the curfew once again interfered for another stalemate.

Both wrestlers thought so much of one another's ability that they joined forces as a tag team and as this goes to press they will attempt to halt the win streak of the Kalmikoff Brothers, Karol and Ivan, and that is quite an order.

EUROPEAN WRESTLING NEWS
By BRIAN A. JONES

The sensational Ed Carpentier who is such an outstanding attraction in the United States and Canada is back in Europe for a spell. Based in France the high flying Carpentier will best be remembered by Continentals as Eddie Wiecz. Carpentier who is usually billed as a Frenchman is in reality a Pole, his real name being Eduardo Wiecezorski.

In Great Britain Paul Lincoln, one of the few independent pomoters left is still presenting shows in the London area although his fellow promoter Tony Demarto has been forced out of the game altogether. This I presume is due to the fact that there are very few wrestlers left wth the Independent group, most of them are back on the Joint Promotions circuit though blond Terry Garvin of Toronto recently switched from Joint to the Independents and is working for Paul Lincoln. In the north of England promoter Norman F. Berry is still promoting Independent cards but it remains to be seen how long he can last out against the big Syndicate. Shirley Crabtree, the huge Halifax Yorks gripster is back with Joint again and it will be interesting to see how they bring him out. When he was with the Independent organization he was featured as British Heavyweight titleholder by virtue of his victory over Ed "Strangler" Bright at Leicester two and a half years ago. The heavyweight champ as recognized by Joint is Billy Joyce of Wigan, the home of British wrestling. Joyce won his claims early in 1958 by winning the Admiral Lord Mount-Evans eliminators held in London .

Based in England at the time of writing is Syed Saif Shah, a better than average Pakistani who has met all the giants of the orient. During the past few years a number of wrestlers from that part of the world have visited the British Isles with Dara Singh of Armister probably being the best known. Dara, who was undefeated in this country was the man Lou Thesz met in his European debut. The match held at London's Royal Albert Hall resulted in a six round draw.

Word has it that Canadian Gordon Nelson of St. Boniface, Manitoba has been seriously considering a trip to the United States and will base himself in the Minneapolis area. Nelson, a first rate wrestler came to this country as an amateur in 1956 and made his pro debut shortly afterwards in Ipswich, Suffolk.

The 1961 German heavyweight champ is Fritz Muller of Bamberg. Muller, who has appeared in the United States won his title last summer in the München Tournament. The 1960 champion was Horst Hoffmann of Karlsruhe. Both Muller and Hoffmann are among the best in Europe.

Gustl Kaiser, Germany's leading promoter was recently in England visiting a number of cities and towns to witness shows and sign up talent for forthcoming tournaments. Kaiser, a former wrestler himself is the squarest promoter any grap-

pler can work for in Germany. Most of his tournaments are held in Krefeld, Karlsruhe, München, Regensburg, Köln and occasionally Hamburg, his home town. The shows in Berlin are men under another set-up, usually the Swiss wrestlers Paul Berger and Rene Lasartesse do the promoting with Paris promoter Alex Goldstein also having interests there.

MASSACHUSETTS MAT ACTION
By DICK HYATT

U. S. heavyweight champion, Frank Scarpa, and the controversial Fargo brothers were the key figures in local wrestling action this month. Scarpa, a veteran of about 20 years of competition, made four defenses of the title he won from Hans Schmidt. Baron Gattoni, a 315 pound giant from South America, was the first victim. The Baron had defeated Eugenio Perez and Alex Medina in a warm up bout the week before in Lynn. But he found Frankie a much tougher nut to crack. The Baron managed to win the first fall with his usual rough tactics, but lost the final two in a little less than 6 minutes.

However, two championship bids by popular Dominic DeNucci drew the most attention. The first bout was even at a fall apiece when the 11 PM curfew called a halt to proceedings. DeNucci had Scarpa in a punishing short arm scissors at that time and most of the 5,000 fans in attendance felt a new champion would be crowned if the two met again. Such was not the case, as Scarpa bounced back to win the rematch in two straight falls. Frankie's fourth title defense was against Canadian tough man, Eric Pomeroy. The challenger dealt out some severe punishment early in the bout, but finally succumbed in two straight falls.

Jackie and Sonny Fargo have been signed by promoter Tony Santos for a series of bouts against several high rated opponents. Jackie, recognized in this area as world's champion, and Sonny wrestle either individually or as a team. Sonny made his Boston Arena debut a success by handing Eugenio Perez his first defeat in a two out of three fall match. After the bout Sonny and Frank Scarpa got into a tussle in the aisle leading to the dressing rooms. This caused Sonny to hurl a challenge at the U.S. champ, but Frank would prefer a shot at Jackie Fargo's world title.

CANADIAN NEWS
By FRED CARVETH

At Maple Leaf Gardens, by Frank Tunney.

Bill Soloweyko and Sam Steamboat held the Tolos Bros. to a draw at curfew time. Ralphael Halpern defeated Frank Valois. Billy Lyons received the decision over Doc Gallagher—and Tim Geohagen drew match with Great Kudo.

The following Session, Buddy Rogers, in the main event, retained his World Title, when Bulldog Brower was disqualified—Jim Hady and Bill Soloweyko lost out to the Tolos Bros. Tim Geohagen was unfortunate in losing to Sweet Daddy Siki—Ralphael Halpern defeated Nobby McDonald.

Then Whipper Watson and Bill Soloweyko defeated the Tolos Bros. The Midgets, Little Beaver and the Brown Panther defeated Fuzzy Cupid and Sky Low Low—Tom Jones lost out to Bulldog Brower. Jim Hady defeated Frank Valois—Sam Steamboat lost to Sweet Daddy Siki, and Ralphael Halpern won over Jan Gotch.

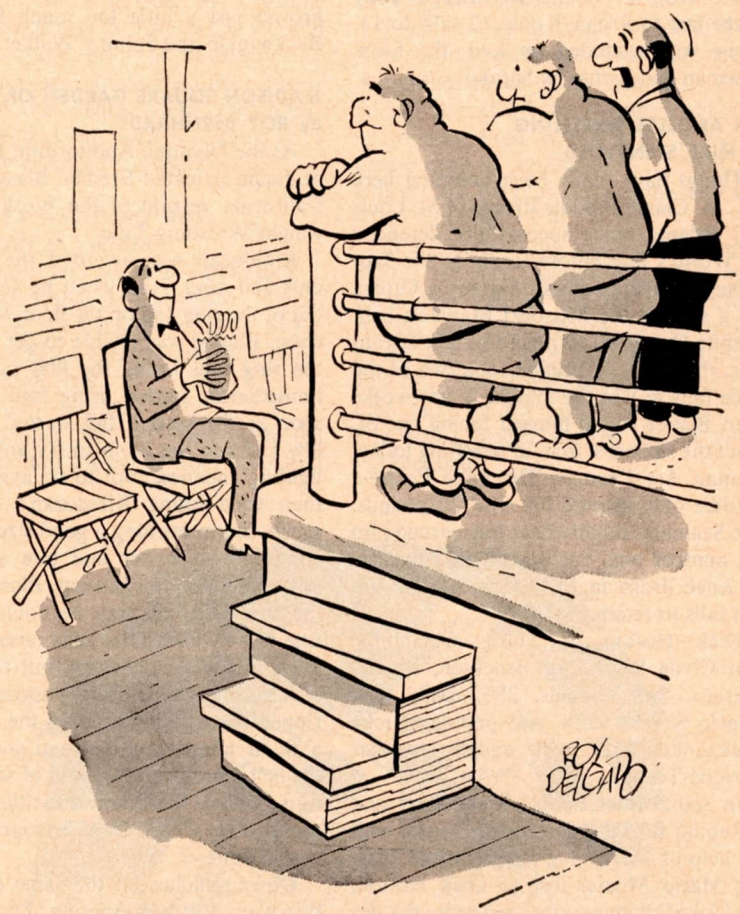
The following week in the main event, Whipper Watson and Bill Soloweyko were unfortunate in losing to the Tolos Bros. Eduard Carpentier lost out to Bulldog Brower when a drop kick Carpentier was delivering, misfired and hit the Referee. Jim Hady defeated Tom Collins, a newcomer to Toronto. Bruno Sammartino defeated Frank Valois. Ralphael Halpern defeated Bull Johnson, and the match between Tim Geohagen and Doc Gallagher ended in a draw.

MATSIDE-PROVIDENCE
By KAREN HENDERSON

During the past month, Providence fans have seen some terrific wrestling. Billy Darnell was originally supposed to be on the card wrestling Buddy Rogers in the main bout. But since he could not get there as his plane was downed by the heavy fog Carlo Milano took his place.

Although Carlo showed a great deal of speed and ability Buddy came out on top in their bout. In the tag-team tussle villianous Skull Murphy and The Great Scott pounded out a win over the favorites Mark Lewin and Don Curtis. Then the sensational Argentine Rocca appeared and quickly polished off rough Karl Von Hess with very little trouble. Mad-man Larry Simon took the measure of Joe Escadado who was making his first appearance to local mat fans. In the opening bout that bright new star Costas Poppalazaris defeated Angelo Savoldi.

Buddy Rogers again head-lined a Providence show. At this time he met Argentine Rocca. The bout was very fast moving and exciting. I have never seen Tony when he looked or wrestled better. There is only one word for him, Superb! He threw Buddy from corner to corner, drop-kicked him, etc. until the champ could not even stand and sat cowering in the corner trying to get his second wind. Rocca even prevented Buddy from using his figure-four leg lock by pulling his hair and throw-



"TV SET BROKEN..?"

ing him off. Buddy would have done worse. When it looked just as though Tony were going to win Tony went to jump over Rogers but didn't jump high enough and became injured. It was Tony's match all the way.

SEATTLE, WASHINGTON
***By* DEAN A. SILVERSTONE**

Here is the latest news on wrestling for the Worlds Fair and Seattle.

A series of professional wrestling matches was just announced by the performing-arts department of the Seattle World's Fair.

The Fair said the contests may include one or two world-championship matches.

Dates are: May 28, June 18, July 30, August 13, September 25 and October 22.

The matches will be promoted by Harry Elliott and will be held in the Seattle Center area.

The Fair opened on April 21, 1962.

Meanwhile, Promoter Harry Elliott presented this magnificent card in Seattle.

Rocky Colombo defeated Haru Sesaki by disqualification (2 falls to 1); Dick 'Mr. Michigan' Garza defeated Kurt von Poppenheim (1 fall to 0); 'Wild' Bill Savage defeated 'Madman' Tito Kopa (1 fall to 0); Danno McDonald defeated Fritz von Goering by disqualification (1 fall to 0); Shag Thomas defeated Chief Billy White Wolf (1 fall to 0); Tough Tony Borne lost to Prince Kuhio (2 falls to 1). Borne was seconded by Leo 'the Lion' Newman and Kuhio by Sasaki.

LOS ANGELES WRESTLING
***By* MIKE STENSVOLD**

Things have really been booming here in L. A. Classy Freddie Blassie of St. Louis and Atlanta twice successfully defended his World's title before losing to the Japanese, Rikidozan. First, big Jesus Ortega got a shot at the Missouri Maniac's belt. Despite Ortega's 120 pound weight advantage, the clever champion took two of the three falls to win the match. A few weeks later, Blassie found himself facing one of, if not the strongest man in wrestling today, Seaman Art Thomas. This time Fearless Freddie only spotted his rival 20 pounds. The Seaman's mighty bear hug earned him fall number one, but Blassie used twenty-six knee drops in the course of the last two falls to retain the title.

Dick Hutton of Tulsa, Oklahoma, beat Clyde Steeves of Brockton, Massachusetts; Art Thomas, 255, easily beat Angelo Savoldi, 228; and popular Nicky Bockwinkle drew with equally popular Enrique Torres.

In some other bouts: Ricki Starr and Antonino Rocca defeated Mr. Moto, with the help of Moto's tag partner, Fred Blassie; Mario Milano lost to Dick Hutton, but looked quite impressive despite the setback; Lou Thesz stopped Mr. Moto with a dropkick; Mike Sharpe and Hans Hermann teamed up in vain against Art Thomas and Enrique Torres, with the Seaman taking the final fall from Hermann; Dick Hutton and Torres downed Blassie and his new tag team partner, Ciclon Negro; Art "Boom-boom" Mahalik, 239, lost on a disqualification to Rubberman Johnny Walker, 223; the Baby Blimp, 301, squashed Mario Milano in 11:19; Jesus Ortega, 341, took falls one and three from Charro Azteca; Tom Zink became the Blimp's second flattened victim; Enrique Torres caught Hans Hermann in a flying body scissors for a win; and a team of Count Billy Varga and Jesus Ortega proved just a little too much for Nicky Bockwinkle and Johnny Walker.

George (Two Ton) Harris, popular Memphis, Tennessee, grappler, shown with one of his many fans after his recent match in Charlotte, N. C.

MADISON SQUARE GARDEN OF THE WEST
***By* ROY BERNHARDT**

At the Olympic Auditorium, Rikidozan of Japan defeated Freddie Blassie for the California version of the Worlds Heavyweight Wrestling Title.

Rikidozan was awarded the first and only fall after 7:42 when he sent Blassie out of the ring and on the floor with a judo chop. Blassie was unable to get back into the ring thus losing the first fall. Blassie immediately started using foul tactics as soon as the second fall started. He used low kicks to the groin to try and stop the fighting Japanese, but to no avail. Blassie then tried biting Rikidozan's head. He succeeded in opening a good sized cut and continued to batter and bite at the cut until the time limit ran out. Blassie, thinking that the only way he could lose the title was by losing two falls raised his own hand in token of victory, but the referee was raising the hand of Rikidozen. Blassie ripped the shirt right off of the referee in a fit of anger as Rikidozan was handed the belt, much to the delight of some 9,200 fans. Blassie has had the title for nine months. He won it from Edouard Carpentier in June of 1961.

Other matches on the same card went this way; Vittoroi Appollo, Dick Hutton and Enrique Torres drew with Billy Varga, Hans Herman and La Pantera. Ox Anderson and Seymour Koenig drew. Tito Marshall was defeated by Appollo in Appollo's second match of the night.

PAUL, "ON THE BEAM," BEAM

Chief Wahoo (McDaniels) is a former football player for the Denver Broncos. . . . Chief White Owl's actual name is George Domero. He is 27 years old.

Don (Stevens) Fargo and Ronnie (Jimmy Dykes) Fargo are wrestling in Texas as Jack and Jim Dalton. They hold the Texas state version of the world tag team title. . . . Art and Stan Neilson are recognized as world tag team champs in the Indianapolis area.

Stan (Holek) Neilson at one time wrestled as Stan Lisowski, Reggie (The Crusher) Lisowski's brother.

New Orleans, La. At the Municipal Auditorium.

Vilmer Snyder beat Fraz von Erich; Little Bolo drew with Tiger Thomas; Young Carnera drew with Matour Espqures; Ann Regan beat Cora Combs.

Louisville, Ky. At the armory.

Magnificent & Maurice B; Johnny & Weaver; Johnny Barend defeated Emil Dupre; Dick the Bruiser beat Angelo Poffo by disqualification and Hercules Cortez defeated Mr. M.

"Wee' Willie Davis is the promoter at Louisville.

Louisville, Ky. At the armory.

Chuck & Conley B; Magnificent & Maurice; Rip Collins defeated Johnny Barend; Bill Melby beat Jim Grabmire; and Chief Wahoo defeated Mike Valentino.

Indianapolis, Ind. At the Coliseum.

Chief Wahoo beat Miguel Castro; Wilbur Snyder won over Hercules Cortez; Penny Banner beat Kathleen Wimbley; Bobo Brazil drew with Don Leo Jonathan; Johnny & Sonny Weaver beat Dan O'Shocker and Emil Dupre; Art & Stan Neilson beat Magnificent Maurice and Johnny Barend.

TEXAS WRESTLING
***By* ALAN ESKEW**

A twelve man, eleven bout tournament, representing six countries was held in Dal-

las recently. Killer Joe Christie was the surprise winner as Promoter Ed McLemore celebrated his 23rd anniversary. Christie gained the right to meet Buddy Rogers. Twelve of the worlds best wrestlers were gathered in the tournament.

All matches would be one fall with a 15 minute time limit. Judges were placed around ringside in case a pin fall wasn't scored in the time limit. The final match would be one fall to a finish.

In the first round action Nick Kozak decisioned Ramon Torres. In one of the roughest matches of the night Jack Dalton pinned Bad Boy Hines. Eric Rommel gained a close decision over the Zebra Kid. Christie whipped Ciclon Negro. Bull Curry won over Crybaby George McArthur in a hilarious match. Dory Dixon topped previous unbeaten, the masked La Pantera.

The quarter finals started with Jack Dalton defeating Nick Kozak. Christie won a close match over Eric Rommel. Jamaican, Dory Dixon defeated Bull Curry in post bout brawl, this cutting the 11 bout meet to 10 bouts.

Joe Christie pinned Jack Dalton in the final match to win the tournament.

Waco wrestling at the Waco Arena have been changed to Thursday nights from Monday nights.

The first Thursday night in Waco wrestling Bull Curry and Jack Dalton battle to a no contest in the main event.

NEWS FROM TAMPA & LAKELAND FLORIDA
By LORENE

Karl & Kurt Von Brauner of Germany, the holder of the World tag team championship won over Don Curtis & Joe Scarpa with the aid of their cane swinging manager Saul Weingeroff. Iron Mike DiBiase was the unpopular winner over Dick Steinborn. Don Eagle won over Hans Schmidt. Big Jim Wright stopped Billy Parks.

Hans Schmidt and Big Jim Wright lost to Don Curtis and Joe Scarpa, the United States tag team champions, the Assassins #1 & #2 won over the popular Pureita Rico Brothers Rito & Tito Carreon. Karl Gotch defeated Pierre La Salle of Canada. The opener was a draw between Danno O'Shocker of Ireland and Billy Parks of Canada.

DEEP SOUTH DISPATCHES
By TOM PARNELL

After many many months of invincibility in southern wrestling rings, the hated Von Brauners lost their world tag team championship to the sensational new combine of Don Curtis and Joe Scarpa. The momentous occasion became a reality in the new multi-million dollar Jacksonville Coliseum. Up until then, the twin terrors and manager, "Gentleman" Saul Weingeroff had polished off legally or illegally every twosome put before them. Many of their bouts have been won as a direct result of their equally controversial strategist, Mister Weingeroff. In fact in most circles, it's a tossup as to who the fans hate more, Kurt & Karl or their manager. The cane carrying executive tried in vain to come to their aid in the recent bout which saw the title change hands.

The Jacksonville battle was one of the roughest Pier Six brawls ever seen by any wrestling fan. After splitting a pair of bruising falls, Curtis caught one of the Germans in his patented "sleeper". Sensing defeat close at hand, the other Von Brauner entered the ring to break the hold but was instead caught by Scarpa who proceeded to pound out the anvil chorus on his bald dome. Seeing his bread and butter helpless, Weingeroff frantically jumped into the ring but was immediately caught in a grip of iron by referee Danno O'Shocker. While all this was taking place, the other official Jerry Christy resounded a lullaby 1-2-3 as Curtis' playmate now on the way to dreamland collapsed for an easy pin.

Hans Schmidt, "The Tueton Terror", now soaking up warm Florida sun . . . the most sensational wrestler seen in Florida in recent years is the redoubtable Karl Gotch, the fabulous Olympic star from Belgium who holds eighteen (count 'em) European championships. In a headline main event for promoter Milo Steinborn in Orlando, Gotch defeated the awesome Schmidt forgetting his great science and matching his own grade of massive brawn. The German was disqualified for refusing to break in the opening round; Gotch taking the second fall with his specialty, a beautifully executed suplex.

MINNESOTA WRESTLING NEWS
By NORMAN H. KIETZER

Champions recognized in Minnesota:

World Heavyweight Champion: Mr. M; World Women's Champion: June Byers; World Tag Team Champions: Stan Kowalski & Bob Geigel.

The months results:

Minneapolis: Mr. M drew with Pat O'Connor, Bob Geigel & Stan Kowalski drew with Tiny Mills & Joe Scarpello, and Nikita Kalmikoff pinned Ray Collins.

Minneapolis: Mr. M defeated Yukon Eric, Barbara Baker drew with Kay Noble, and Doug Gilbert pinned Jack Daniels.

Minneapolis: Mr. M took 2 of 3 from Doug Gilbert, June Byers pinned Kay Noble, Tiny Mills and Stan Kowalski wrestled to a no contest decision, and Bob Geigel pinned Duke Hoffman.

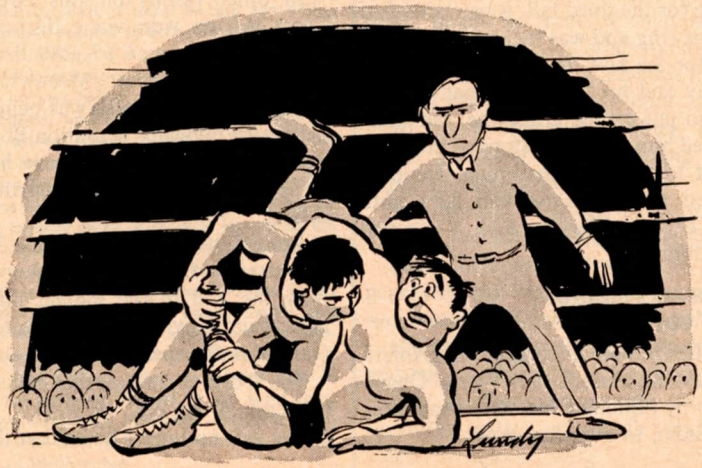
St. Paul: Mr. M defeated Verne Gagne via disqualification, June Byers won over Barbara Baker, Ray Collins & Stan Kowalski lost to Doug Gilbet & Pat O'Connor, and Nikita Kalmikoff defeated Duke Hoffman.

In the heavyweight division, Mr. M and Verne Gagne have not yet proved who is the better wrestler. Although my vote goes to Gagne, Mr. M still holds the title. Their match on St. Patrick's Day in St. Paul was the outstanding fight of the month. Mr. M was disqualified but Gagne refused to accept the victory because he could not win the title on the disqualification. The match was continued, but Gagne soon became enraged by Mr. M's dirty tactics and put his famous sleeper hold, which had been declared illegal for the match, on M. When Verne refused to break the hold, he was disqualified.

CHICAGO ACTION
By TOM LAUTERBACK

Since my last column, promoter Fred Kohler has presented two spectacular Amphitheatre cards. In the first Yukio Suzuki started off the evening's activities by pinning Fred Atkins after a vicious karate chop in the throat, 5:22. Next, the ladies took over as Jean Lane defeated Rita Crawford, 13:40.

In a disappointing substitution, Miguel Torres replaced Johnny Valentine on a team with Bearcat Wright and Vittorio Apollo, who were defeated in two straight by the team of Shohei Baba, Skull Murphy, and Jim "The Brute" Bernard. Baba captured both of the falls from Torres, the first with a sleeper and the second with a backbreaker.



In the second card, Fred Atkins was DQ'd for choking Billy Goelz in the opener. The time was 10:18. In a major upset, Johnny Gilbert recovered from a brutal working-over and surprised Yukio Suzuki with a cobra twist, 9:22. Midwest champ Johnny Kace pinned newcomer Johnny Rebel after 11:38.

In an exciting tag match, Johnny Valentine and Bearcat Wright defeated The Fabulous Kangaroos by disqualification. Then in the windup, Buddy Rogers defeated the second of the Japanese champions, Shohei Baba, in straight falls, taking the first with a rolling cradle and the second with a figure-four grapevine. In the evening's finale, Bob Ellis and Miguel Perez tied Bob Orton and The Great Scott as both teams were disqualified.

ST. LOUIS WRESTLING
By LARRY MATYSIK

Fate continues to smile upon world champion Buddy Rogers and frown at popular John Paul Henning. This past month 12,602 fans crammed St. Louis' historic Kiel Auditorium to see Rogers meet Henning in a rematch from their first bloody no-contest.

The popular Floridan, Henning, never looked better than in the first fall when he ended a whirlwind attack on Rogers with a bow and arrow hold after only 9:50. Twice in the second fall John had the veteran champion in the bow and arrow hold, but Buddy pulled hair and reached the ropes to break the hold each time. Then Henning missed a body block and sailed out of the ring. The hated blond bomber knocked John down on the ring apron once and tried again, but Henning slugged him. Then, as usually he does, Henning leaped over the ropes to enter the ring. This time, when he landed he grabbed his left leg and collapsed to the canvas. Rogers quickly applied his dreaded figure four grapevine (the first time he has got it on Henning). John was forced to concede at 6:39. Referee Babe Martin was unable to force Rogers to break the leg hold immediately and Buddy gave Henning's injured leg added punishment.

John was helped to the corner and the bell rang for the third fall. Rogers charged across the ring and was met by a fist. John started for the bow and arrow but his leg gave way and he fell to the mat. Rogers started to put on the grapevine, but Martin shoved him away and stopped the bout, giving it to the wily champion. Henning continued to try to rise and fight until Bobby Bruns, Martin, and a second calmed him.

RINGSIDE—CLEVELAND
By BOB VOLEK

Don Leo Jonathan retained his American Wrestling Association World Championship by holding Ohio state champion, Ilio DiPaolo, to a curfew draw.

Ilio outclassed the champion from the opening bell, and used a head scissors on Don repeatedly. As the going got rough, so did Jonathan. A knee to the back set up DiPaolo for a pin; with Don finally gaining the opening fall with a reverse cradle hold after 23 minutes.

Seeing there was only ten minutes left before curfew, Jonathan hollered to ringsiders, "I got this guy beat!" But Ilio had other ideas. Jonathan kept stalling and every minute or so, would ask the timekeeper how much time was left. Ilio kept pouring it on with hammerlocks and a rolling arm scissors. Each time Jonathan was in trouble, he ran outside the ring and stalled for time.

With less than a minute left, Jonathan was standing on the ring apron waiting out the final few seconds. Ilio rushed at the champ, connected with 2 or 3 forearm smashes, lifted Jonathan over the ropes, and caught him with his famous airplane spin. As the Arena fans went wild, Ilio pinned Don Leo to even the contest! Seconds later, before the bell for the deciding fall could ring, the 11 pm curfew came and referee Charlie Kivi declared the bout a draw. While fans rushed to ringside, Ilio demanded more time from the referee; but to no avail. After a few minutes of arguing with each other, Don Leo Jonathan left the ring as a very lucky man; retaining his AWA world title with stalling tactics. Ilio DiPaolo, left the ring mobbed by his fans; many of whom hung on to him all the way to the dressing room.

Ironically enough, in four tries at a world championship by Ilio DiPaolo, all have ended in curfew draws. Three such decisions were with ex-NWA champ, Pat O'Connor. Mike Gallagher, who 3 months previously had retired from the ring to become a lawyer, has taken over as Cleveland TV-studio wrestling commentator. Mike has not completely retired from the mat, and will wrestle on occasion.

Highlight of the match was when Mike Gallagher connected with a judo slash that sent Ivan Kalmikoff all the way across the ring. The chop could be heard out on Euclid Avenue, as it hit its mark.

In other results on this Arena card, Tony Marino won via a disqualification from Bob Stanlee, 6'9", 280 lbs. brother of Gene and Steve. Meanwhile, "Mr. America" Steve Stanlee was being held to a draw by unbeaten sensation Bobby Graham. The St. Louis youngster has yet to be beaten in eight weeks of northern Ohio action.

Lord Littlebrook and Tiny Tim won two straight falls from Farmer Pete and Billy the Kid in the midget match, and newcomer Guy Mitchell defeated Baron Gattoni in the opener.

The World Championship match marked the end of an era, as weekly wrestling shows will no longer be held at the Cleveland Arena. Instead, wrestling's "new home" will actually be its "Old Home", as promoter Pedro Martinez will present bouts at the Lakeside Armory.

CENTRAL OHIO NEWS
By HARRY R. BELL

The return of live wrestling to central Ohio viewers, originating from both Columbus and Cincinnati, has been a factor in the great upswing of attendance at Columbus matches recently.

Buddy Rogers faced the menacing Moose Choolak twice on a recent card. In the first match after scoring a fall each, the Moose made the mistake of turning his back at the wrong time. Rogers gave him a terrific drop kick, knocking Moose from the ring, and he was unable to return before the count of twenty. Choolak was understandably unhappy at this result, and issued a challenge for a rematch, which was held three weeks later. Rogers again won two out of three falls. Choolak then added a tag partner, Zebra Kid, and took on the team of Rogers and Rocca. The big men managed to score the first fall in short order by kicking Rocca in the stomach, but the wily Rocca quickly reversed matters with a series of drop kicks and body press on Choolak. Rogers then scored fall three of the match.

Exciting as this match was, however, it was topped for sheer excitement by the tag team battle of Orton and the Great Scott against Frankie Talaber and Leon Graham. These boys battled a full hour to a one-fall each draw, in which everything short of out and out mayhem took place. This was one of the wildest tag matches this reviewer has ever seen, with all four men battling in the ring at the same time throughout the larger portion of the time.

NORTH IOWA WRESTLING
By LARRY HUEGLI

Former World Champion Pat O'Connor appeared in Charles City recently and defended his U.S. title against Tarzan Tyler. Tyler started the match in his usual fashion, rough, and tough. After 10 minutes of "Sparring" Tyler got drastic, and mean. Tyler won the 1st fall by throwing the champ back first into the turnbuckle. It apparently was too much for O'Connor and he succumbed in a time of 10:45.

O'Connor, weak and exhausted from the pain, didn't exert himself to begin the 2nd fall. Tyler's tactics were too much for the champ, and O'Connor showing the true champion he is didn't "panic" when he got mad. O'Connor won the 2nd fall in 18 minutes, and the 3rd fall in 25 minutes. Both pins were by the famous back cradle of his.

After an absence of 4½ months, wres-

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worked at the National Championship A.A.U. matches and the Pan-American games in Chicago in 1959.

In 1960 he was chosen to work the Olympic Games in Rome, Italy.

Last year he conducted a boxing clinic at Garmisch, Germany. He received a referee's license from West Germany and the Netherlands, the first American ring official granted a license in these countries.

TACHIKAWA AB, JAPAN — The newest member of the Tachikawa Air Base Karate Club is S/Sgt. Edward Wenger of the 315th Air Division's directorate. The Club practices Okinawa style Karate twice weekly under the tutelage of Eiji Shijo, Yoshinobu Kurose and Seikichi Toguchi of Yoyogi, Japan.

Toguchi, perhaps the leading exponent of Okinawa style Karate fighting in Japan, has taught the defensive art to more than 8,000 students and is currently teaching small groups which total about 500 students. According to Toguchi, the Okinawa version of the ancient art is more difficult to learn than the Japanese style of Karate. The main differences in the two is a matter of form. The Okinawa variety, being deadly, is purely a defensive style of fighting.

Sergeant Wenger explains that, unlike Japanese Karate in which beginners can earn a black belt within a year, Okinawa style karatiests cannot earn a black belt in less than three years. Proficiency degrees are the same for both Karate style.

A novice begins at the 10th degree level with a white belt. He adds a green stripe to denote the 9th degree and another when he gains the 8th degree. A blue belt denotes the 7th and 6th degree, a green one the 5th and 4th degree, and a brown belt shows ability for the 3rd and 2nd degree. The black belt is given to 1st degree men.

Last month the Tachikawa Air Base Karate Club was given official recognition when it received a constitution and bylaws from 6100th Support Wing Vice Commander Col. Lloyd W. Brauer. Oda asserts that club membership at the present time is limited to 20 Karatiests, but that openings for others will be made soon.

When Irving Abramson took off for Australia last February he went to compete on an Australian television show for a stake of 3,000 pounds ($8,400,000) against boxing experts from around the globe, including the present Australian champion, John Carew.

A S/Sgt. Abramson was one of "General Kenny's Darlings"—that team of flying fighters that delivered knock-out blows to the Japanese in the Second World War. He was stationed for 14 months in the Southwest Pacific, served in 64 missions, and won the Air Medal with Three Oak Leaf Clusters.

Through all of this Sgt. Abramson found time to promote his real love, boxing. Wherever he went, bouts among servicemen were sure to follow. He managed, promoted and sponsored shows that entertained thousands of servicemen and officers.

Abramson started his boxing career by competing in Golden Glove tournaments. Though business interests now claim most of his time, he still keeps up with sports and all boxing events.

INIGO LUCCHESI

If the determined efforts of Inigo Lucchesi eventually pay dividends, the State of Washington is destined to regain its once prominent spot in the major boxing scene.

In the "good old days", Washington was a lively spot for ring activity. Many outstanding native products became international headliners, among them Frank Farmer, Bud Ridley, K.O. Eddie Roberts, Freddie Steele, Leo Lomski and Al Hostak. Boxing really boomed in those days. In recent years, however, the state, like so many other once-flourishing boxing provinces, has seen a general decline in local activity, and it is only on rare occasions that such communities as Seattle, Tacoma and Spokane break into national newspaper headlines with reports on boxing.

There was a sudden resurgence of interest a few years ago when heavyweight Pat McMurtry became a "hot" favorite and drew big gates in Tacoma and Seattle. Then the Olympic champion, Pete Rademacher, in his first professional bout, fought Patterson for the world heavyweight title and drew nearly $250,000 in Seattle.

With the departure of McMurtry and the disappointment in Rademacher, boxing again faded in Washington. A scarcity of popular local talent was blamed. Lucchesi, a rabid boxing fan and a smart promoter, decided to do something about it. He resumed operations on a small scale in Tacoma, featuring promising youngsters. He intended to develop his own talent. So far he's been making steady progress, and has several newcomers beginning to attract serious attention. Probably the best at the moment is George Wright, a middleweight, who has had less than a dozen bouts so far, but has been advancing rapidly. Most of his opponents to date have been little known to the public at large, but Wright has progressed to the stage where he is ready now for some of the better "names" in the 160-pound division. In his last two starts he outpointed Randy Sandy and drew with Mel Collins, two impressive performances considering his limited experience.

Lucchesi has several other promising kids in tow, and the reviving interest of the local fans, reflected in increasing box-office business, convinces him that boxing is on its way to another boom era in Washington.

PENDER REGAINS TITLE

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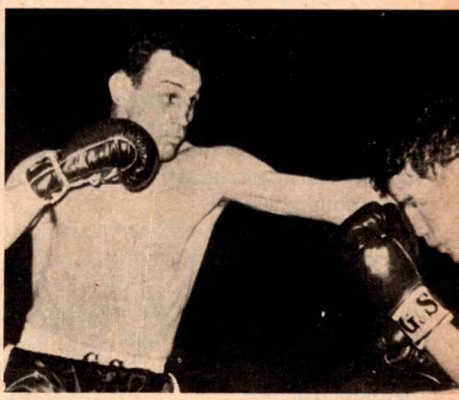

Pender scores with a long left jab to the head of the oncoming champion during the action in the seventh round of the fight. This round was the turning point of the fight, as after having been hurt the previous stanza by Downes, Paul found the range with his long left and was in command for the remainder of the fifteen rounds to gain the unanimous verdict and recapture his title.

Parnassus bidding is a possibility. New York and Las Vegas, also figure, with the probable date that of June 9th. Vegas is the No. 1 possibility.

This will be the second meeting of Pender and Fullmer. In 1955 Fullmer defeated Pender in Brooklyn. Gene was 23 years of age and Paul 24. The outcome of that contest gives no clue as to their coming meeting.

Fullmer had his stamina and courage while Pender was hampered by brittle hands, since cured. Paul did not possess the polish of the superb boxer he now is. Also, Pender is a half owner of the world middleweight title and that lofty position tends to cause a fighter to have something more than would show as a non-title holder.

Should things gum up Dick Tiger might stand a chance of obtaining a shot at either half of the crown.

As things stand, Pender and Fullmer will have a return clause in their contract, in case Pender wins. This means that Tiger will be in cold storage for a "long time" unless he wants to fight as a light heavyweight or meet other middleweights who can do nothing to advance his cause.

How does this coming bout shape up?

Al Lacy, Pender's trainer predicts: *"Paul will have Fullmer falling into the ropes and staggering around."*

Says Jenson, *"Fullmer is too strong for Pender and will win convincingly."*

Says this corner: Despite the fine ring generalship of Pender, Fullmer will press the Bostonian to the point of exhaustion.

Fullmer is a harder hitter than Downes and this, combined with the determination that is Fullmer's trademark, should give Gene the undisputed middleweight crown when the fight is over.

IT'S ALL BALANCE

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It's true he knocked me down with a jab. But, if you knew Saddler, he was a stiff puncher, he could hurt you with a jab.

In the fourth round I got one right in the mush and I panicked, believe it or not. I went down, got up and was clipped again. Then I didn't get up. That's it, nothing more, nothing less.

When we fought back, he was wild to nail me but I was careful, plenty careful. At that, at the finish I looked like I'd been through a meat-grinder. Yet I was moving good all night, making him miss by a fraction and getting in my own punches that counted.

Between this second fight and our third, I made some classy fights. One I'll never forget because it was so easy and against a guy with a reputation, Ray Famechon, the Frenchman.

They'd told me he was a little bulldog and his record showed he came to fight. One round wasn't over when I saw he needed to swing wide if his punches were to mean anything. Next round I slipped inside on him, leaning on his chest, between his shoulder blades. It was a picnic. With the heel of my gloves, I could press against his shoulder, turn him left, turn him right. He had no balance, because I had all my weight against him in one spot.

That's how it went for 15 rounds, I was hardly working. Now and then I'd twin up a right with a jab, just to hold the franchise. But I really was hand-wrestling him into defeat. The crowd didn't like it, they booed, they whistled. But I had found a way to make it a cinch, so why not use it?

After the fight old Abe Attell, a great featherweight champion I never was lucky enough to see in action, said to me: *"Willie, don't mind those bums booing you. They booed me at times. They're not entitled to 15 great rounds, they're entitled to one or two good ones and you showed them enough."*

But I was explaining the Saddler deal. . . .

. . . I came up to that third fight of ours in the best possible shape. I had to be. I knew he still was steamed over the way I'd outfoxed him in the second.

I got off fast in the fight, knocked him down no less . . . that way 'punchless Pep' dropping 'em again . . . but man, he's strong, he came like gangbusters. And he was rough. He hauled me, he shoved me. And age sort of settled in on me all at once. I was cut up, I couldn't go on after the eighth.

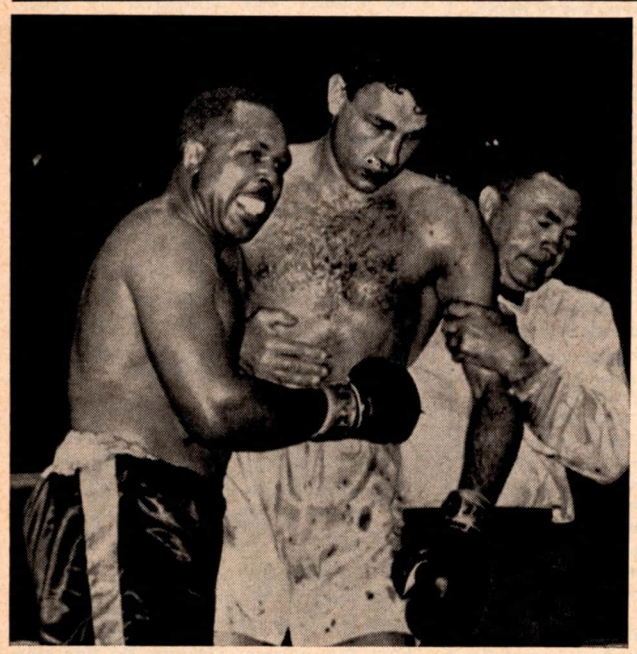
I started again, got some wins, met Saddler a fourth time in 1951. I could have blue-printed the thing beforehand. So long as I had my stamina, I could do about what I wanted with him. But I knew that, sooner or later, he'd get to grab and twisting me as if he were a chiropractor. I wrestled back, I stepped on his toes a few times. Once we got the referee in between us and knocked him down.

Afterwards the commissioner, Bob Christenberry, then brand new, said: *"One more like this will kill boxing."* When I had to stop in the corner after the ninth round, I was ready to tell him: *"I don't know about killing boxing but I know one more will kill Pep. And I want him to stay around."*

Those other KOs or TKOs against me, they really don't count. I was gone—and I knew it. That last one, by Hogan (Kid) Basey, made up my mind for me. I had one more fight, in Venezuela, and packed it in. Or rather Lou Viscusi, my manager all those years, did it for me. He's been a good friend to me, you can't knock managers on my experience with him.

The refereeing I've been doing has been interesting and I've liked it because it keeps me in touch with fights. I handled one bantam title fight in Brazil, I saw a real fighter there, the champ, Eder Jofre. He's a good example of balance too. He stands up there, feet firm but flexible; he's in no hurry and boxes smart until he's ready to let his bombs go. And he has bombs.

But overall, as I said, there are too many fighters around today who don't stand right and who don't move right. They pay for it by skidding all over the joint, slipping to the floor and even getting knocked out. I hope some will get wise to themselves. It isn't so tough. All they need to do is go back to the gym, learn the proper way and stick to it. It's the only way, it's the way I learned to survive. And, for a boy-scarecrow that was something.



MOORE KAYOS LAVORANTE IN 10th ROUND

By
BILL MILLER

Boxing had its second severe scare within a week when on the heels of the Benny Paret tragedy in New York they carried Alejandro Lavorante out on a stretcher from the ring of the Sports Arena in Los Angeles following his knockout at the hands of Archie Moore. A gathering of 13,532, that paid $122,677.68 to witness the bout, stood up in hushed silence fearing the worst but fortunately, unlike Paret, Lavorante responded quickly to restoratives and was able to leave his dressing room an hour after the mishap.

Lucky for boxing that Moore's heavy body punishment plus the powerful left hook that spun Lavorante around in the tenth round and sent him helplessly against the ropes, didn't end as did the Paret-Griffith fight. The South American displayed little against aged Archie who will now campaign for a world heavyweight title match. Alejandro took a severe shellacking almost from the start. His mid-section was a good target and Moore pounded it often.

Moore, who weighed 197, blasted away at the Gaucho's midsection and referee Tommy Hart, noting the helplessness of Lavorante, quickly put an end to the fight in 37 seconds of the tenth round for a knockout under California rules.

DO FANS MAKE BRUTALITY?

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previous to regaining his title, Emil was brought to book over a lacklustre performance against war worn Isaac Logart, a bout in which he barely gained the decision. Not enough drive and determination was the complaint.

For many years British boxers have run into the problem of changing their styles from the so-called "classic" manner stressing skill and defense, acceptable in England and on the continent, to the power-driven, head-on, tactics so dear to stateside audiences.

One-time welterweight champion, many-time foe of Britton, and probably best of the British boxers to campaign in this country Ted 'Kid' Lewis once confided to eminent authority-confrere Mr. Jersey Jones, *"When I set foot in your country, I make a complete change from a boxer to a fighting man. There's a difference you know."*

Like Jack "Kid" Berg, the old "Whitechapel Whirlwind," another Britisher who enjoyed great success in the States speedily adjusted from the clever methods he used in his homeland to the busy, "club fighting" style which caused American newsmen to give him his colorful nickname.

One of the reasons why ageless Archie Moore had to travel such a long road before finally attaining a pugilistic pinnacle was his unwillingness to treat boxing as anything but a game of skill. Archie showed he still retained the knack by outsmarting Italian Guilio Rinaldi while coasting to an easy win in the Garden last June; but not even Archie for all his likeability and popularity could draw forth any hurrahs from public and press for such polished technique. They were hungering for something more violent, and dissatisfied crowd mumbles marred an amazing exhibition by a middle-aged man against an opponent half his years.

Pugilists from whom no violence could be expected whatever their skills have found themselves performing in the privacy of half empty arenas, with the fans finding other things to do on that particular evening. Tommy Loughran, the boxing master, comes to mind in this connection.

Furthermore, an outstanding boxer, suspected of refraining from knocking out a rival by the customers, will speedily find himself the object of hooted disapproval regardless of the clever quality of his performance. Both Benny Leonard and Ray Robinson often found themselves in this position.

Way back in 1926 Sailor Jack Sharkey, one-time heavyweight kingpin, in a Garden bout with Sailor Eddie Huffman had his opponent so far outclassed that, following the bout, he was hit with a barrage of criticism by press and public for not stopping Huffman, although his exhibition of boxing had been sparkling enough to satisfy anyone.

Called on the carpet by the New York Commission, Sharkey, to avert a suspension and get himself out of hot water, gave unprecedented testimony against his own punching power; using his record up to then as proof that he was not a hard "enough" hitter to have knocked out Huffman in any case!

Many have claimed that Jack Dempsey's savage style, reaching a roaring climax in the "Massacre of Maumee Bay" against big Jess Willard in 1919 converted the people for all time into worshippers of ferocity in the ring. While this may have been a factor, the same change has also taken place in other sports, as in baseball for instance, where the crashing homerun has long since supplanted the pitchers' duel as the sine qua non for the onlookers.

Public preferences being what they are, the old time clever boxing teacher, such as Jack Blackburn, Bill Miller, Jess Harrington, Bobby Dobbs, et al, has all but vanished from the scene; since his instructions if thoroughly mastered are more likely to result in a boycott for his pupil as a "sleep inducer" than in any demand for his services. Billy Bello, young New York middleweight is a case in point, possessing natural boxing skill, he must in these times cater to the crowd by concentrating on punching and offense.

The modern mania for violent action in a civilization reckoned effete by the standards of the rugged pioneering past, is worthy of study by the most noted psychologists. Boxing if allowed to progress on its original course would have wound up as a pure game of skill, instead of crowd pleasing combat. The sport has had to go along; the public sets the style.

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112 pound class . . . George Colon, New York, N. Y., outpointed Danny Andrews, Albany, N. Y.
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139 pound class . . . Jackie Range, Elizabethton, Tenn., outpointed Jodie Harris, Portland, Ore.
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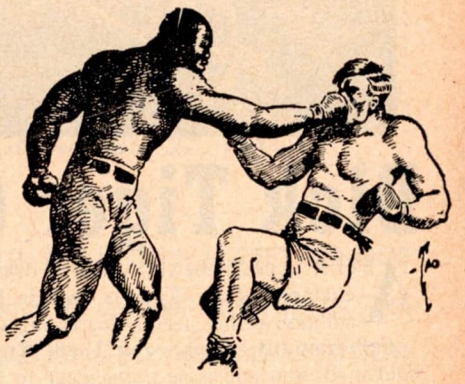
READING AND WRITING



ONE of America's outstanding boxing writers, Lester Bromberg of the New York World-Telegram, has come forth with something new in sports books. He has gathered 62 outstanding fights of the last half century and placed the reports of those thrilling contests between the covers of a volume of 351 pages, called, "Boxing's Unforgettable Fights". Lester, whose articles in Ring Magazine have been enjoyed by our readers over the years, goes back over many decades of ring history to capture the colorful, thrilling moments of battles in which ring immortals were engaged.

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Dick Tiger (Right) Defeats Henry Hank

AFTER a nearly-flawless victory over hard-hitting Henry Hank in Madison Square Garden, British Empire middleweight champion Dick Tiger is back in his native Nigeria, awaiting two important developments—(a) the arrival of the latest addition to his steadily-increasing tribe, and (b) response to his challenge to N.B.A.champion Gene Fullmer.

Following his triumph over Hank, Tiger remained in the United States to attend the Terry Downes-Paul Pender world title bout in Boston and issue a challenge to that winner. Two days later he flew to London, then Nigeria.

Before leaving, the muscular African voiced the hope that his first challenge, to Fullmer, would be accepted. "Gene has until June 9 to defend his title again, and I hope to be the opponent. I don't care where the match is held; all I want is a crack at Gene's part of the world championship. As soon as the bout is arranged, if it is, I'll be ready to rush back to the United States."

Tiger's hold on Contenders' Post No. 1 was strengthened by the neat job he did in disposing of Hank, another highly-rated contender. On the scorecards of the officials, Dick came close to a complete shutout. Referee Arthur Mercante tabbed it 10-0, Judge Leo Birnbaum had it 9-0-1 and Judge Bill Recht came up with 8-1-1.

Although Tiger won decisively in the scoring, the fight was much closer and tougher than the tallying would seem to indicate. Hank was dangerous all the way, but the chunky Nigerian, whose right name is Dick Ihetu, was just a bit too rugged, too durable and too persistent for him.

Throughout the fight Tiger landed his left hook and jabs with uncanny accuracy. Early in the tenth round Tiger's body blows sent Hank into the ropes where Dick pumped lefts and rights to the body effectively. Hank tried to fight back, but most of his punches landed on Dick's shoulders. Tiger had a tight defense throughout the battle.

Tiger gave an impressive exhibition of solid punching. He displayed plenty of class though he is not a flashy boxer. Hank was kept off balance with body blows that hurt. Though Hank landed many effective blows in the early rounds, before he tired, they failed to stop the steady advance of his opponent. Tiger, who had knocked out four of his last six opponents, went all out in this one, his seventh straight triumph, but was unable to drop Henry, who complained that making weight hurt his stamina. He had contracted to come in at no more than 161, for which he had a forfeit of $2,500, and he weighed in at the low poundage of 158¾, about five below his average in recent fights. Tiger came in at 160.

"I couldn't get any steam into my punches," said Hank after the fight. "The weight I made was too low."

But it is doubtful if he had been able to do much better judging by the classy demonstration by Tiger. He seldom missed with his good left hook. His combinations of lefts to the body and rights to the jaw were all that could be desired. Though the voting was lopsided, the bout was far better than what the scoring indicates. Hank was outscored, out-manouvered and out-hustled by a fighter who has been clamoring without success for a shot at the championship and had proved himself the most deserving in the division for the chance. It was Dick's 45th victory against 12 defeats mostly in Europe before he decided to campaign in America.

Tiger deposited a challenge with the New York and Massachusetts commissions and the N.B.A. prior to returning to his native Nigeria pending the outcome of his challenges. He remains hopeful that as quickly as the dual championships claim is cleared, he will be named to fight the winner. While in England prior to coming to New York he knocked out Terry Downes.

JACK BRITTON

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months longer.

AGE LIMIT EXTENDED

The respect in which Britton's exceptional skill was held by boxing authorities was amply evidenced during the mid-'20s when the New York State Athletic Commission raised its maximum age limit for boxers from 38 to 45 as a special concession to Jack. New York's action was promptly followed by other states where the maximum age limit prevailed.

Britton had suffered heavy financial reverses in an unfortunate Florida real estate venture, and the only way he could put together another bankroll was by fighting.

Jack, of course, was no longer of championship calibre, but he retained enough of his remarkable skill and ring savvy to step along with many of the better welterweights of the era, and he closed out his long career on a winning note in 1930. In his last two outings, he decisioned Al Shell in Hartford and Bobby Ruffalo in Buffalo. He was then 45.

Quitting the ring, Britton became boxing instructor for two popular New York institutions—the Downtown Athletic Club and the Catholic Youth Organization. He held the jobs until 1937 when his wife prevailed upon him to move to Florida. For several years he and the Mrs. operated a drug store in Miami Beach.

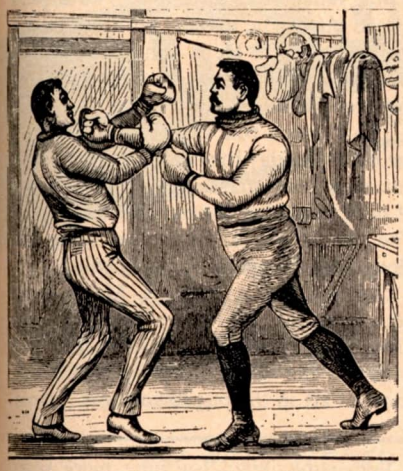
During the '30s, Jack tried to groom one of his sons, Bobby, for a ring career, but the youngster lacked the spark of genius that had made his dad an outstanding personality for so long. After an ordinary career, Bobby quit the glove-tossing trade.

Jack Britton was elected to boxing's Hall of Fame in 1960, a well-deserved tribute to one of the ring's all-time greats.

SPOT THE GOOFS!

1. THE FIGHTING DE JOHN BROTHERS WERE MIKE, JOHN, RALPH AND JOEY.

2. THE TOP PRICE PAID FOR A FIGHT TICKET BEFORE 1900 WAS $50, FOR THE CORBETT VS. SULLIVAN FIGHT.



3. THE FIRST WINNER OF THE JAMES J. WALKER AWARD WAS JAMES J. WALKER.

4. THE LARGEST STAKES BATTLED FOR IN THE BARE KNUCKLES ERA WAS SULLIVAN VS. KILRAIN, $20,000.00.

5. THE LAST LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHT TITLE FIGHT STAGED IN A NEW YORK BALL PARK WAS JOEY MAXIM VS. RAY ROBINSON IN THE POLO GROUNDS IN 1952.

How to play "Spot The Goofs." There are twelve statements on this page and mixed in with the facts are some fiction. You have to seek them out and get the facts straight. Give yourself five points for each error you find. Play the game with your friends and family. Answers are listed in rear of book — have fun finding them. Are you a champion, contender, club fighter or preliminary boy?

6. THERE HAVE BEEN TEN MEN WHO WERE UNDEFEATED WHEN THEY FOUGHT FOR THE HEAVYWEIGHT TITLE.

7. ROCCO TOZZO, SIDNEY WALKER AND GERRY STEFFEN ALL HELD THE LIGHTWEIGHT TITLE.

8. VINCE FOSTER WAS KNOWN AS THE "NEBRASKA WILDCAT."

9. THE LAST SCHEDULED TWENTY-FIVE-ROUND FIGHT WAS BETWEEN BILL POLAND AND EDDIE BLUNT IN WASHINGTON, D.C. ON AUGUST 27, 1941.

10. THE UNITED STATES DID NOT WIN A CHAMPIONSHIP IN THE OLYMPIC BOXING COMPETITION EITHER IN 1936 NOR 1948.

11. JAMES EDWARD MORAN WHO WAS KAYOED IN ONE ROUND BY BOBBY MICHAELS, LATER WENT ON TO WIN THE LIGHTWEIGHT TITLE UNDER THE RING NAME OF JIMMY GOODRICH.

12. WALLACE (BUD) SMITH ONLY WON ONE FIGHT AFTER WINNING THE LIGHTWEIGHT TITLE FROM JIMMY CARTER IN THREE YEARS.

WHAT HAPPENED TO BODY PUNCHING?

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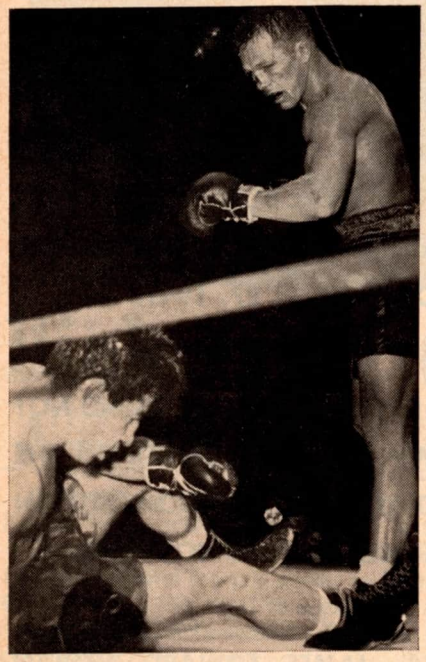

Rocky Graziano sinks to the canvas to be counted out in the sixth round of the thrilling middleweight fight in 1946, from a smashing right to the body delivered by Tony Zale, at Yankee Stadium. Zale, was another great ringman who depended on his body attack to win for him.

different. The fighters train different. They do not learn proper procedure. Paul went on:

"Watching fights and fighters since I retired thirty-odd years ago, I have seen few real good body punchers and of those, most have been either southpaws or converted southpaws, who made good use of the left hooks.

"While Rocky Marciano did a lot of damage with his body blows, he was more of a mauler. He used strength, not sharp power to wear his man down. The same was true of Henry Armstrong, and of the present men, Bobo Olson, Gene Fullmer, Tony DeMarco and Carmen Basilio who could inflict damage with body blows. But they were left hookers."

Ray Robinson, a truly great fighter, also was a punishing body puncher, but Ray rarely relied on this type of attack, said Paul.

"Back before my time there were many great body punchers—Ad Wolgast, Kid McCoy, Battling Nelson, Bob Fitzsimmons, with his "solar-plexus punch", "Nonpariel" Jack Dempsey, Jim Jeffries, Stanley Ketchel—all were capable of knocking out their foes with a smash to the body."

Today's boxers are faster afoot and with their hands, like Floyd Patterson he pointed out. He thinks they have sacrificed power for speed, the reverse of baseball, where the hit and run has been replaced by the home run.

"Many times over the years, I have showed youngsters my ideas on body punching," Paul continued. They would listen then try out what I had shown them on the heavy bag. But they quickly tired, when they saw the long hours of practice that was necessary to master the art.

"When I was a fighter we did not tire of gym work. There was little to do in the evening—no radio or television, no cars to drive around like today. So we enjoyed staying in the gym, listening to the tales of the oldtimers and learning our trade."

It is his opinion that modern fighters have too many distractions. They rush into the gym, rush through their workouts and rush out again.

"Like the people I meet on the street, rush, rush, rush. No time to learn, too big a hurry to reach the top. Like I said before, I too was rushed, and I know if it had taken me longer to reach my goal, say another year or two, with about twenty more fights under my belt, I might have stayed on the throne longer than I did. I think this rush is one reason why the reign of the champions is becoming shorter and shorter with each passing year," continued the former title holder.

"Long, long before I laced on my first pair of boxing gloves, Sam Langford was quoted as having said "Kill the Body and the Head Dies" he continued.

"Old Sam knew what he was talking about. When you knock a man down with a head punch, he may be hurt, but he still has his strength. He is dangerous. Knock him down with a body blow and you sap the strength out of him.

"That was a rule of my day. Punch to the body. To-day they still aim at the body but miss their mark. They throw plenty of body blows but the punches lack steam. The art of infighting is also being lost along with the art of body punching.

"Maybe this is progress. Maybe I am getting to the age where I long for the Good Old Days. But I can't see it that way. To me body punching was a true form of art in the pugilistic trade.

WHEN TO QUIT?

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his punch at least, and it was enough to stop Conn, whose dazzling speed was gone.

In a sense the same was true of Max Schmeling. Two years elapsed between the German's knockout victory over Louis and the return bout. Schmeling, grown older, couldn't get out of his own way in the second fight. He couldn't get out Bomber Joe's way, and was stretched in the first round.

The story is always the same. Tony Canzoneri had one great fight left, and he fought it against Jimmy McLarnin. Knocked down in the first round, Tony floored McLarnin in the second, and went on from there to win a decision. What followed for Canzoneri were two defeats by Lou Ambers, and by McLarnin in a return bout.

Tony retired, and then attempted a comeback that ended when he was knocked out by Al (Bummy) Davis. Davis was an exciting fighter, but was never in Canzoneri's class.

McLarnin knew when his skills were slipping away. He fought and defeated Ambers, and being well fixed financially, retired. He quit a winner.

Barney Ross fought one of his finest fights when he defeated Ceferino Garcia in defense of the welterweight title. Except for two brief tuneups he never won again. A year after he had beaten Garcia, Ross was only a shadow of his once swift self when confronted by the relentless Henry Armstrong. He stayed on his feet, taking a pounding, for 15 rounds, but Barney knew he had had it. He never fought again.

Armstrong was all energy, and just burned himself out winning three titles.

Willie Pep, one of the truly great featherweight champions, is another who had just one fight left. This was his second with Sandy Saddler, and it was one of the greatest ever seen in the Garden. Willie regained the featherweight crown that night, but the strong, awkard Saddler was destined to knock him out twice in future fights.

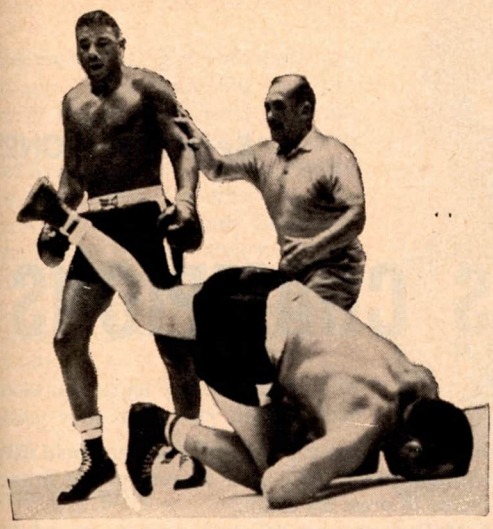
Pep campaigned for nine more years but he hit his peak in his winning fight with Saddler. He was never the same again. Pep was all speed, but eventually his legs had to go.

Even in victory James J. Braddock realized he had lost whatever it was that had made him a champion. His last fight was with Tommy Farr, and he rallied in the ninth to pull out the decision. Two days later he announced he was saying farewell to the ring forever.

The legs go first. It was so with James J. Jeffries trying to comeback against Jack Johnson, and it has been the same with all the others. Some, such as Archie Moore, last for many years. Others lose the spring from their steps quickly, as did the ill-fated Paret. The Cuban was wrecked on the ropes because his legs could not carry him to safety.

What happened then was an accident, and regrettable though it is, there wasn't time for anybody to do anything to prevent it. Benny (Kid) Paret just didn't have any legs. He was destroyed as he stood helpless on the ropes unable to move.

Know the Answers... Become an Expert...



How many champions regained their titles?

Which champion won eight championships?

Which fighter fought three fights in one day?

How many undefeated champions have there been?

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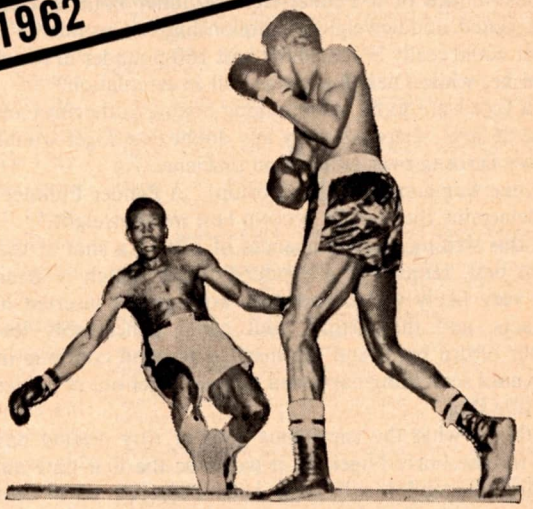

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SEEN AND HEARD

By JERSEY JONES

BEST MEN NOT ALWAYS CHAMPIONS

SITTING in the working press section of the Boston Garden and hearing the rousing applause that greeted the introduction of Dick Tiger before the start of the Paul Pender-Terry Downes affair, we got to thinking.

A champion is supposed to be the best in whatever field he is operating. In boxing, he generally is, but often enough he is not.

With Pender winning from Downes, and talk starting on the possibilities of a Pender-Gene Fullmer bout to clear up the disputed middleweight championship, we wondered if the winner could really be called the best 160-pounder in the world. Could he, while Dick Tiger was still in circulation?

If a vote were to be taken among boxing authorities and the public at large, there is hardly any doubt that Tiger would rate a heavy favorite over either Paul or Gene.

As one wag commented in Boston: "A Pender-Fullmer bout will determine the world's SECOND best middleweight."

At this writing, Tiger's chances of getting a shot at the title are, at best, remote. If a Pender-Fullmer match is arranged, there very likely will be a return bout clause inserted in the contracts, and that return bout could conceivably lead to another return bout, and the merry-go-'round continue indefinitely until something happened to push Tiger out of contention for a title shot.

If this is what the capricious gods of ring destiny have in store for the burly Nigerian, it won't be the first time an outstanding contender will have been deprived of a deserved chance at a title. Ring history is loaded with chapters on fighters who should have been champions but, for a varied assortment of reasons, weren't. Among the many were Young Griffo, Jim Driscoll, Sam Langford, Packey McFarland, Mike Gibbons, Frankie Burns, Jeff Smith and Memphis Pal Moore.

SOME NOTABLE CASES

During the '90s, the amazing Griffo had three cracks at the featherweight champion George Dixon, but Little Chocolate stipulated each time that if the bout went its scheduled course, the decision would be a draw. Although a remarkable boxer, Griffo was not a dangerous puncher, and Dixon's precautions were understandable. The rivals went twenty rounds in Boston, twenty-five in Coney Island and ten in New York, and all were declared draws, although Griffo was generally credited with winning each time.

Griffo also was the victim of one of the ring's most criticized decisions when he hooked up in Coney Island with the American lightweight champion Jack McAuliffe. Almost unanimously, the authorities agreed the shifty Australian won decisively, but the referee gave the decision to McAuliffe, precipitating a boisterous uproar from the boxing public.

In what was considered one of the finest exhibitions seen in that era, Driscoll outpointed featherweight champion Abe Attell in a ten-round no-decision bout in New York in 1909. On the strength of that performance, the clever Welshman could have demanded a title match with Attell, but he returned to Britain and never bothered to press his claim.

At his peak McFarland unquestionably was the best lightweight in the world, but the nearest Packey ever came to a title match was in 1909 when negotiations started for a bout between him and Battling Nelson in California. The match failed to materialize when the rivals couldn't agree on the distance. McFarland wanted twenty-five rounds; Nelson, relying upon ruggedness and durability to offset Packey's boxing ability, insisted on forty-five. Later, when he outgrew the lightweight class, McFarland could have claimed the then vacant welterweight laurels, and most authorities would have recognized him as champion, but the dazzling Chicagoan wasn't interested.

Gibbons' case was somewhat similar to McFarland's. As a welterweight, Phantom Mike could easily have established his right to the vacant championship, but he didn't bother. As a middleweight, he outpointed two champions, Al McCoy in Brooklyn in 1914 and Mike O'Dowd in St. Paul in 1919, but they were in ten-round no-decision affairs. Mike never did get an official crack at the title.

THE DREADED LANGFORD

Langford went through a long, illustrious career without getting a shot at a title. Joe Gans was lightweight champion when Langford beat him in Boston in 1903, but Sam was a welterweight at the time and Gans' laurels were not at stake. The original Joe Walcott had already lost the welterweight title when Langford drew with him in Manchester, N.H., the following year. Sam had grown into a middleweight when he lost to heavyweight Jack Johnson in Chelsea, Mass., in 1906, but when Johnson became champion two years later he wanted no more of the dangerous Tar Baby, who, by now, was a light-heavy and still growing. The only other champion Langford met was middleweight Stanley Ketchel in a six-round no-decision affair in Philadelphia in 1910.

It wasn't lack of opportunity but poor decisions, both times in New Orleans, that kept Burns from becoming bantamweight champion. Ringside authorities were virtually unanimous in declaring Frankie had beaten Johnny Coulon in 1912, only to see Coulon's own referee raise Johnny's hand as victor. Then, in 1916, Burns was credited with having the better of Kid Williams but, again, he failed to get the decision. The referee called it a draw.

Burns had a third chance, also in New Orleans, to win the bantam title but this time, in 1917, he was honestly beaten by one of the division's all-time great champions, Pete Herman.

Jeff Smith was one of the most studiously-avoided contenders the middleweight division has ever known. No champion could be prevailed upon, even in a no-decision bout, to risk his laurels against the crafty Bayonne mechanic. A couple of them—George Chip and Mike O'Dowd—eventually were persuaded to

meet Jeff, but not until they'd become ex-champions and had no title to worry about.

Moore probably tangled with more past, present and future champions than any ringster in history—but never in a title bout. The list of Memphis Pal's opponents included flyweights Jimmy Wilde, Frankie Genaro and Fidel LaBarba, bantamweights Kid Williams, Johnny Ertle, Pete Herman, Johnny Buff, Joe Lynch and Bud Taylor, and featherweight Eugene Criqui. Moore was another who should have been a champion, but was never given the opportunity.

It looks as though Dick Tiger may be associating with some very distinguished company.

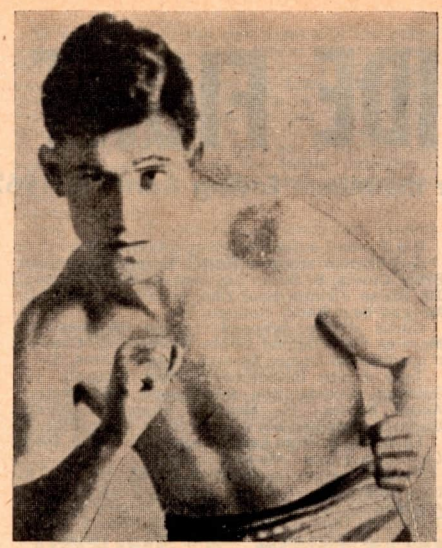
AROUND THE RING

A recent motion in the Swedish parliament to abolish boxing was badly beaten by a 191 to 96 vote. Since there are only SIX licensed professional boxers in the entire country, and probably not more than a half-dozen fight cards staged all year, it would seem permissible to borrow Sir Winston Churchill's historic reference to the Royal Flying Corps and revise it to: *"Never has so much fuss been made by so many over so few."*

We don't think much of New Jersey's idea of blowing up boxing gloves from eight to ten ounces, extending the rest period between rounds to a minute and a half, and have physicians check the fighters in their corners after each round. If the medicos have to keep bouncing in and out of the ring thirty or forty times a night, they'll contribute more casualties among themselves than any fight card ever produced.

Speaking of casualties, that was an interesting paragraph Robert Daley, the New York Times' roving European reporter, recently tossed into a dispatch from Paris: "The (British) House of Lords asked for statistics on death in sports. The figures given were disconcerting. In Britain, from 1955 to 1958, fifty persons died in competition. One was a boxer. Nine were playing rugby, thirteen were playing soccer and fourteen were killed at cricket."

Jack Barrett is a tough 'un to discourage. Despite all sorts of disappointments with his promotions in Buffalo—substitutions, postponements, miserable weather, et al.—Jack is still determined to re-establish the Bison City as a major fight center. He is concentrating on promising local talent, and his currently "hot" favorite is a young 130-pounder, Tony LaBarbara. Out of the ring nine months, and going beyond six rounds for the first time, LaBarbara turned in an impressive performance in holding that cagey journeyman, Ike Chestnut, to a ten-round draw.



Dazzling Packey McFarland, the outstanding lightweight of his era, never fought for a world championship.

THESE AND THOSE

With the Ringling Bros.-Barnum & Bailey circus taking over with its annual six-weeks' spring stay, Madison Square Garden is closed to boxing until May 26. Meanwhile, the St. Nicholas Arena is the only club operating in New York City, and, frankly, business hasn't been too good there this season. The club's been losing $1,000 or more every week, but its losses are being absorbed by Madison Square Garden.

Veteran fight manager Benny Huntman, one of the many Britishers who accompanied Terry Downes to Boston for his losing fray with Paul Pender, is quite enthused with one of his latest proteges, Pete (Rocky) Nelson, a 21-year-old London light-heavy. Unbeaten in his first seven pro starts, winning five by knockouts, Nelson is still growing and Huntman expects him to be a full-fledged heavyweight within another few months.

NEW YORK RESULTS OF THE MONTH:

On a split 2-1 decision that was far from popular with most of the assembled gathering, Jackie Kelly, 140¾, Harlem, was returned winner over rangy Tommy Schaefer, 140, Miami, Fla., in a lively non-TV'd ten at St. Nicholas Arena.

Judge Joe Eppy scored it 5-4-1 for Schaefer but was outvoted by the other officials, Referee Johnny LoBianco tabbing it 5-3-2 for Kelly and Judge Artie Aidala giving the Harlemite a 6-4 margin.

Although chunky, durable Kelly forced the action most of the way, Schaefer was the more effective puncher. Kelly did well in close quarters but at long range he missed repeatedly with right-hand leads. In turn, he was jolted several times by Schaefer's long, lunging lefts and busy two-handed flurries. Although he tired somewhat in the closing rounds and Kelly finished the stronger, Schaefer appeared to have earned a close but clear edge in the overall action.

Bobby Gilmore, 128, Paterson, N. J., decisioned Ramon Moran, 122, Puerto Rico, in the semi-final six. In fours, Clarence Kidd, 139¼, Harlem, won from Billy Lonergan, 138¾, Rosedale, L. I.; Jimmy Cherico, 170½, Brooklyn, drew with Frank (Oh!) Fudge, 175½, Hempstead, L.I., and Billy Robinson, 147½, Astoria, L.I., stopped Al Gordon, 147¼, Brooklyn, at 0:32 of the fourth.

Box-office business totalled $2,532.23, contributed by 1,282.

The turnout for the tragic Emile Griffith-Benny Paret world welterweight title bout in Madison Square Garden was somewhat below expectations. The exact figures were not released, but the attendance looked about 6,000 and the receipts $26,000. Television contributed $60,000, bringing the total revenue to a gross of $86,000 and a net of about $80,000. Paret was guaranteed $50,000, while Griffith, working on $10,000 from TV and 20 percent. of the box-office net, drew down about $15,000. By the time the preliminary bouts and the various operational expenses were taken care of, there wasn't much of a profit left for the Garden.

Popular Billy Bello, 152¼, Bronx, rallied in the closing rounds to earn a draw with Andy Figueroa, 154½, Puerto Rico, in an exciting semi-final six. In another lively six, Willie Giles, 165, Miami, Fla., edged out a 2-1 decision over Dave Russell, 168¼, Hempstead, L.I. A couple of fours started the evening's activities. In one, Taco Gonzalez, 136, Puerto Rico, was a split decision winner over Sid Marcus, 136, Brooklyn, and in the other Angelo Soto, 127, Puerto Rico, punched too hard for an island rival, Angel Coloncito, 127, dropping him three times and stopping him at 2:38 of the third.

A rarity in New York these days, a flyweight match, was given top spot at St. Nicholas Arena, but limited to six rounds. A southpaw Puerto Rican, 21-year-old Angel Morales, with a record of nearly 200 amateur bouts behind him, made his professional debut and accounted for nearly half the 1,194 customers who turned out for the event. Morales, 115, was pitted against Ronnie De Cost, 111, Brockton, Mass., previously unbeaten in eighteen starts in New England rings. Morales was an easy winner. De Cost seemed puzzled by the Puerto Rican's left-handed style and was on the receiving end most of the way. His nose was bloodied in the first and he was down for a mandatory eight-count in the third.

The semi-final eight was won by another Puerto Rican, Carlos Quiles, 140½, whipping Andero Gonzales, 140½, Pittsburgh.

Another rare offering, a bantamweight bout, featured the preliminary card. Carlos Zayas, 116½, Holyoke, Mass., was credited with stopping Sal Algieri, 117, Mt. Vernon, N.Y., when Algieri was unable to go out for the fifth because of exhaustion.

In fours, Jimmy Cherico, 171, Brooklyn, and Frank (Oh!) Fudge, 175½, Hempstead, L.I., who had fought a draw the previous week, did it again; Andy Brooks, 157½, Passaic, N.J., won from Miguel Velesquez, 161, Puerto Rico, and Lucius Benson, 156½, Corona, L.I., whipped Charley Jordan, 155, Paterson, N.J.

The non-TV'd card attracted $2,752 in gross receipts.

The welterweight rivalry between Tony Fortunato of the Bronx and Gil Diaz of Puerto Rico, which had prompted two riotous outbursts from Diaz's followers at the St. Nicholas Arena, was resumed in the Semi-final to the Dick Tiger-Henry Hank TV ten in Madison Square Garden.

The St. Nick affairs had been over the eight-round route. This time the rivals were given ten rounds in which to settle their differences. Once more, they were unable to. Stocky Diaz, 146½, had the better of the early milling, but taller and heavier Fortunato, 151, rallied in the closing sessions to even the score. Aside from a few scattered boos from Diaz constituents, there were no untoward developments when the draw decision was announced. The verdict seemed eminently satisfactory to the majority of the witnesses, and the jeers were drowned out by the cheers.

A scheduled six between Walter Turner, 157¾, Detroit, and Harold Richardson, 156, Harlem, was halted at 0:55 of the second when the referee decided that Richardson, pinned against the ropes, was in no position to defend himself.

In a pair of fours, Felix Santiago, 156¼, Puerto Rico, whipped Norman Cassaberry, 152½, Brooklyn, and Israel Santana, 146¼, displayed rare promise in beating a fellow Puerto Rican, Jose Badillo, 146¾.

The attendance looked about 6,500 and the gross receipts close to $15,000.

One of the poorest sets of box-office figures of the 1961-62 season at the St. Nicholas Arena was reported for the non-TV'd card headed by Freddie Martinovich, 137, Pittsburgh, and Pablo Lopez, 136, Puerto Rico. Attendance was 906 and gross receipts $1,649.46.

Martinovich, 21-year-old Hungarian refugee, was a winner in ten lively rounds, but he had to hustle all the way to edge out Lopez. Freddie set a fast pace in the early sessions, and dropped Lopez for an automatic eight-count in the third, but he suffered a gash over his right eye in the sixth and was bothered by it from then on. Lopez staged a strong rally toward the finish but too late to change the result.

In sixes, Mike Cruz, 134½, Puerto Rico, decisioned Lou Anderson, 138½, Freeport, L.I., and C.L. Lewis, 137¾, Washington, D.C., stopped Billy Robinson, 143½, West Side, at 2:46 of the fourth. In one of the fours, Joseph (Ace) Falu, 158½, Puerto Rico, who in his professional debut a few weeks before had been the victim of the fastest knockout in St. Nick history, fared somewhat better this time. He lost a decision to more lighter but experienced Ronnie Gioffrion, 152, West Side. In another four, Billy Garrison, 144¾, Middletown, N. Y., won from Len Campbell, 146¾, Newark, N.J.

WORLD-WIDE FIGHT RESULTS

For the Month Ending April 18, 1962

HEAVYWEIGHTS

Robert Cleroux kayoed Jim Wiley, 2.

Ingemar Johansson kayoed Wim Snoek, 5.

Archie Moore kayoed Alejandro Lavorante, 10.

British Empire champion Henry Cooper retained his title stopping Joe Erskine, 9. Cleveland Williams stopped Ernest Terrell, 7. Franco De-Piccoli kayoed Garvin Sawyer, 5.

Franco Cavicchi whipped Rocco Mazzola, 10. Roger Rischer kayoed Howard King, 12. Bert Whitehurst bested Federico Friso, 8.

Mariano Echevarria kayoed Manolito Garcia, 4, and beat Moussa Sangaree, 8. Wim Snoek won on a foul over Leen Jansen, 9. Peter Bates whipped Bobby Moore, 8.

Joe Sheldon kayoed Tunney Hunsacker, 10. Billy Walker kayoed Jose Peyre, 5. Paul Andrews outscored Bill McMurray, 10.

Hasting Hart beat Chico Gardner, 6. Jerry Simms defeated Cliff Gray, 8. Wayne Heath stopped Danny Garcia, 4.

Otis Lee kayoed Sonny Blue, 2, and Charley Roberts, 6. Ken Potter stopped Menzies Johnson, 4, and beat Ron Gray, 6.

LIGHT HEAVYWEIGHTS

Giulio Rinaldi decisioned Billy Ryan, 10.

Gustav Scholz stopped Jesse Bowdry, 6, Jesse also lost to Allen Thomas, 10.

Peter Gumpert won the vacant German title beating Helmut Ball, 12.

Lennart Risberg outscored Ron Redrup, 10. Kirk Barrow outscored Willie Bell, 10. Jimmy Robinson kayoed Chubby Norris, 1.

Paul Roux whipped Nick Maric, 10. Burke Emery won from Regent Bergeron, 8. Renato Moraes won from Clarence Riley, 10. Ray Drayton defeated Bob Young, 8.

Rudi Nehring defeated Klaus Langhammer, 8. Johnny Gordon defeated Andy Charleston, 8. Greatest Crawford stopped Sid Carter, 2.

Edgar Boyd kayoed Hipolito Hernandez, 4. Tom Gerarde beat Homer Harvey, 6. Joe Byron defeated Perry Hicks, 6.

Lee Ballard whipped Henry Burton, 6. Foneda Cox decisioned Tommy Caldwell, 6.

MIDDLEWEIGHTS

Paul Pender regained the World middleweight title outpointing Terry Downes, 15.

Dick Tiger whipped Henry Hank, 10.

Laszlo Papp defeated Ralph (Tiger) Jones, 10. German champion Hans Wohlers retained his title by beating Heini Freytag, 12.

Remo Carati won the Italian title by stopping Bruno Fortilli, 6. Joey Giambra outpointed Everardo Armenta, 10. Peter Muller kayoed Joe Wynt, 1.

Wilf Greaves and Mick Leahy, 10. Jean Ruellet drew with Charley Attali, 10. Phil Edwards whipped Harry Scott, 10. Marcel Pigou defeated Armand Vannucci, 10.

George Aldridge outpointed Sid Drayton, 6. Roberto Pena won on a disqualification over Francisco de Oliveira, 8. Gene Bryant and Ramon Hernandez, drew, 10.

Cliff Murkey kayoed Jimmy Remson, 1. Ray Villalona kayoed Babe Simmons, 3. Diamante Negro defeated Lio Valdez, 10.

Keown Yontrakit stopped Takao Maemizo, 2. Steve Tony kayoed Dommy Roxas, 5. George Wright and Mel Collins, drew, 10. Ike White beat Billy Lynch, 10.

Andres Selpa decisioned Felipe Cambeiro, 10, but lost to Mario Tarzetti, 10. Jose Torres stopped Jimmy Watkins, 7. George Benton kayoed Rudolph Bent, 2.

Tony Montano stopped Duane Horsman, 5. Esteban Caprani drew with Gregorio Gomez, 10, and Francisco Gelabert, 10. Rocky Rivero kayoed Pirincho Aguero, 4.

Harko Kokmeyer defeated Marc Desfourneaux, 10. Johnny Torres defeated Jimmy Dorsey, 8. Stan Hayward and Willie Davis, drew, 8. Jimmy Ralston defeated Henry Turner, 6.

Hector Constance and Leo Potesil, drew, 10. T. J. Jones won from Amen Peck, 8. Wilbert McClure whipped Clarency Riley, 6. Herbie Williams won over Johnny Vaughn, 6.

Vernon LaMar kayoed Frank Church, 2. Harry Tetlow whipped Harry Lee Irwin, 8. Willie Giles defeated Dave Russell, 6.

Walt Turner stopped Harold Richardson, 2. Herb LeSeur defeated Willie Jennings, 6.

WELTERWEIGHTS

Emile Griffith regained the title by stopping Benny Paret, 12.

Junior Welter champion Duilio Loi outpointed Billy Collins, 10. (non-title).

Spanish Champion Luis Folledo retained his title beating Diego Infantes, 12.

Rip Randall outpointed Virgil Akins, 10.

Guy Sumlin stopped British Empire Champion Brian Curvis, 8. Duilio Loi beat Willie Stevenson, 10. Bruno Visintin beat Charlie Cotton, 10. L. C. Morgan beat Rocky Kalingo, 10.

Curtis Cokes stopped Hilario Morales, 5. Morales had stopped Bobby Sanders, 8. Charley (Tiger) Smith kayoed Orlando dela Fuentes, 5.

Tony Smith outpointed Jimmy McGrail, 12. Sauveur Chiocca won the French title beating Andre Davier, 15. Mexican champion Alvaro Gutierrez retained his title stopping Chivo Diaz, 3.

Fernando Barreto kayoed Jorge Andina, 6. Dave Cervantes kayoed Manuel Ochoa, 7.

Paddy Graham outpointed Al Sharpe, 12, Al then stopped Sean Leahy, 5. Wally Swift defeated Ahamed Sebane, 8, and stopped Johnny Kramer, 7. Sebane then whipped Epiphane Akono, 10.

Samart Sorndaeng kayoed Terry Flores, 9., Flores had kayoed Mighty Bargan, 8. Pedro Miranda stopped Gil Gonzalez, 2. Percy Manning whipped Sid Adams, 8.

Jorge Sacoma stopped Omar Peppi, 6. Tony Fortuanto and Gil Diaz, drew, 10. Fred McWilliams decisioned Willie Ross, 12. Sid Prior stopped J. D. Ellis, 6.

Gildo Montoya beat Salvador Vera, 10. Gabe Terronez stopped Marcelino Vargas, 7. Johnny Newman stopped Federico Payan, 2. Les Bagi defeated Don Weller, 12.

Beto Gerardo kayoed Chico Rodriguez, 5. Manuel Gonzales outscored Nolan Duplessis, 10. Omrane Sadok stopped Charley Douglas, 7.

Tony Noriega defeated Tony Niosa, 10. Kid Wama beat Luis Zuniga, 10. Bill Burk whipped Al Andrews, 6. Freddy Butts whipped Harry Irwin, 10.

Tom Dennis defeated Jim Beasley, 8, Jim also was stopped by Willie James, 5. Fernand Simard kayoed Rejaan Robert, 3.

Billy Bello and Andy Figueroa, drew, 6. Luis Pacheco kayoed Carlos Cerda, 1. Tim Ford beat Bobby Allen, 6. Joe Williams stopped Willie Mitchell, 3.

Frank Smith halted Ray Carruthers, 5. Dick French defeated Tony Caruolo, 6. Henry Mailolo stopped Speedy Henderson, 3.

Bill Waggoner defeated Dick Smith, 6. Hy Smith whipped Frank Taylor, 6. John Santos defeated JoJo White, 6. Dick French stopped Gene Garrison, 3.

LIGHTWEIGHTS

Eddie Perkins halted Mel Middleton, 8.

Giordano Campari kayoed Rudi Langer, 4., and beat Roger Younsi, 10. Tito Marshall outpointed Stanley Wilson, 12. Kenny Lane defeated Louis Molina, 10.

Alfredo Urbina defeated Solomon Boysaw, 10. Johnny Cooke defeated Guy Gracia, 10. Gene Gresham defeated Pollo Gabino, 10.

Tony LaBarbara and Ike Chestnut, drew, 10. Tony Perez whipped Andres Garcia, 10. Ray Nobile bested Rene Barriere, 10. Johnny Bizzaro whipped Tommy Tibbs, 10.

Fili Nava won from Tony Sanchez, 10. Kid Anahuac defeated Enrique Camarena, 10. Teruo Kosaka whipped Kenzo Shimamura, 10.

J. D. Ellis stopped Gary Cowburn, 8, but was stopped by welter Sid Prior, 6. Chino Diaz whipped Adolfo Olguin, 10. Vic Graffio kayoed Danny Felan, 6.

Jamie Gine defeated Vicente Derado, 10. Derado whipped Hugo Juarez, 10. Al Medrano bested George Page, 10. Nicolino Loche won from Fernando Azocar, 10.

Ruben Rivera kayoed Rodolfo Santamaria, 8. Carlos Quiles defeated Andero Gonzales, 8. Victorio Guzman stopped Max Huerta, 7.

Jackie Kelly decisioned Tommy Schafer, 10. Clarence Williams stopped Freddy Jackson, 5. Fidencio Ramirez whipped Nicolas Sanchez, 12.

Sandro Lopolo kayoed Jackie Chauveau, 7. Fred Martinovich defeated Pablo Lopez, 10.

Ben deVilla beat Rudy Preocho, 8. Chico Velez and Fernand Chretien, drew, 8. Carlos Rios kayoed Hilario Espana, 4. Jorge Schaffini kayoed Ray Hernandez, 2.

Chilo Vargas kayoed Memin Rangel, 7. Humberto Martinez kayoed Panchito Garcia, 2. Panchito Granados outscored Jose Yermen, 10.

Gonzalo Rubio and Catalo Hernandez, 8. Dave Coventry stopped Victor Ducros, 2. Rolando Mendoza kayoed Valentin Rangel, 8.

Brian Jones decisioned Jimmy Gibson, 8. Manuel Favela whipped Al Rangel, 10. Clyde Thomas stopped Benito Lasso, 3.

FEATHERWEIGHTS

Sugar Ramos decisioned Rafiu King, 10.

Gracieux Lamperti edged out Rafael Gayo, 10.

Pedro Ortiz whipped Jesus Santamaria, 12.

Kazuo Takayama kayoed Pepino Morales, 2, Morales also lost to Juji Masuko, 10. Jet Ba[illegible] kayoed Little Cezar, 11.

British Empire champion Howard Winstone retained his title halting Derry Treanor, 14. Robert Palaveccino whipped Raul Justo, 10. Raymundo DeJesus stopped Salustiano Suarez, 9. Luis Figueroa kayoed Sonny Flores, 3.

Orient featherweight champion Veeranid Cha[illegible]ernmuang retained his title stopping Army Wonder Boy, 3. Olli Maki defeated Dennis Adjie, 8. Juan Ramirez kayoed Agustin Barron, 6.

Efren Jimenez halted Manuel Esparza, 3. Italian champion Mario Sitri defended his title beating Michele Gullotti, 12. Fino Rosales kayoed Efrain Lopez, 3.

Johnny Morrissey stopped Floyd Robertson, 8. Mario Diaz won from Chico Veliz, 10. Don Johnson outpointed Love Allotey, 12, and drew with Wally Taylor, 12.

Terry Spinks defeated Jean Biosea, 8, and Billy Davis, 8. Jose Lopez outscored Willie Woods, 10. Jorge Ceja decisioned Rudy Coronado, 10.

Luis Hernandez defeated Luis Sanchez, 10. Danny Kid drew with Adrian Servin, 10. Paddy Read defeated Gene Fosmire, 10, and stopped Tommy Haden, 9.

Beresford Francis won from Julio Ruiz, 10. Yuji Masuko beat Gene Aragon, 10. Roberto Gomez kayoed Lauro Garcia, 5.

Chon Kook Myon outscored Ippo Toratani, 10. Memo Ruiz and Juan Perales, drew, 10. Anselmo Hernandez kayoed Rabano Gonzalez, 3. Indio Fernandez defeated Neto Villarreal, 10.

Tacuba Uribe scored over Rogelio Fernandez, 10, and stopped Panchito Garcia, 1. Vicente Saldivar kayoed Jorge Salazar, 6.

Toluco II outpointed Alberto Soto, 10, but lost to Hermelindo Mondragon, 10. Dinamita Rojas beat Battling Kid, 10. Henry Macias kayoed Chamaco Alvarez, 4.

Julio Zuniga kayoed Luis Trejo, 9. Chino Lopez whipped Manny Yamashiro, 10, and drew with Jose Rivera, 10.

Luis Quijano drew with Pantera Reyes, 8, and Roberto Landa, 8, while Reyes also lost to Chino Celis, 8. Phil Lundgren defeated Mick Graves, 8.

Augustin Contreras stopped Chebo Salazar, 9. Roberto Murillo and Roberto DelCid, drew, 10. Genaro Gonzalez decisioned Chucho Saucedo, 10.

BANTAMWEIGHTS

Joe Medel defeated Sadao Yaoita, 10.

European champion Pierre Cossemyns defeated Kimbo Calderin, 10.

Piero Rollo won the European title by kayoing Pierre Cossemyns, 5. Johnny Caldwell defeated Federico Scarponi, 10.

Former champion Mario D'Agata continued his comeback beating Andre Gasperini, 8.

Mitsunori Seki defeated Ronnie Jones, 10, and kayoed Katsuyo Nakamura, 5. Edmundo Esparza stopped Memo Tellez, 4.

Benny Casing and Nacho Escalante, drew, 10. Felix Gutierrez stopped Joey Reyes, 5, but was halted by Jorge Salazar, 9.

Ernesto Miranda whipped Pierre Rossi, 10. Curley Aguirre kayoed Sommy Balajadia, 5.

Pierre Vetroff defeated Federico Scarponi, 10. Humberto Barrera stopped Panchito Saldivar, 5. Saldivar also was kayoed by Chuy Pruneda, 7.

Fil Mendy kayoed Kid Tacio, 9.

Baby Luis stopped Miguel Paredes, 2. Mel Torres beat Angel Ley, 10. Ariel Rios defeated Jose Dominguez, 8, but lost to Kid Jalpita, 8.

FLYWEIGHTS

Sal Burruni stopped Henri Schmid, 5.

Kyo Noguchi defeated Baby Espinosa, 10. Fighting Harada defeated Tadao Kawamura, 10.

Risto Luukkonen stopped Don Weller, 3.

Ernesto Barrera outpointed Manuel Moreno, 10, but lost to Pedro Carvajal, 10.

Pascual Perez defeated Rodolfo Trivia, 10. Hiroyuki Ebihara stopped Ray Ortiz, 3. Changa Magallanes beat Changa Munoz, 6.

Killer Solomon drew with Bernardo Caraballo, 10, and kayoed Alfonso Valiente, 8. Raton Mojica defeated Mauro Miranda, 10. Hiroyuki Ebihara defeated Takeshi Nakamura, 10.

Antonio Paniagua defeated Ismael Gutierrez, 10. Romy Sisson defeated Leo Zulueta, 10. Efren Torres beat Luis Mendez, 10.

Angel Morales whipped Ronnie DeCost, 6. Naven Kid defeated Lory Articulo, 10. Vicente Garcia kayoed Babe Lopez, 5, and Pajaro Gonzalez, 6.

Nat Jimenez outscored Luis Ernesto, 8. Jamie Perez halted Jose Luis Mendez, 7. Chango Magallanes bested Mel Maemora, 6.

Elias Olivo kayoed Jesus Rocha, 2. Carlos Zayas kayoed Sal Algeri, 4. Fabian Esquival kayoed Tuntun Torres, 7.

MICHIGAN FISTIC FACTS
By Jack Waina

HENRY HANK, who claims lady luck wasn't kind to him in two previous outings, at Miami against Allan Harmon (draw) and Philadelphia against Joey Giardello (lost a decision), got an early break in the very first round of his rematch with Jamaican Harmon at Convention Arena. The Detroiter cut the ranking British Empire light-heavy over the right eye at the very beginning of the fight. Harmon appeared somewhat affected by the cut and the Detroiter took advantage of the situation to pile up a good lead before the bout was stopped by Commission Physician Dr. Robert Bennett. The bout goes into the record books as a seven round KO.

Three weeks later Hank and his confident troupe took on Dick Tiger in a nationally televised match from New York's Madison Square Garden. You'll read the story of that elsewhere in this issue.

The best bout on the Hank-Harmon Convention Arena card, found middleweights Joe Black, of Detroit, and Walter Turner, of Middletown, Ohio, slugging it out toe-to-toe in a real thriller. Turner proved to be a real sleeper intent on an upset over the local favorite, but Black proved a little too strong for the visitor winning and pulling away at the final bell.

Jackie Richards, Detroit heavyweight, tuning up a Miami main event, won his fourth straight over Norm Geddes, also of Detroit, a late substitute in another six rounder. Jimmy Remson, Detroit middleweight, stopped Billy Tuck, of Louisville, Ky., in the second after having been down on the canvas himself in the first.

Former amateur champion, southpaw Phil Baldwin, of Muskegon, outpointed Detroit welterweight Charles Dardeen in a slow unimpressive four rounder that saw little action. Roley Wilkes, Windsor welterweight, stopped Norman Fletcher, of Louisville, Ky., early in the second round of a one-sided match.

Industrious C. W. Smith had both of his pleasing fighters in action the same night aboard and ironically enough although both scored knockdowns, a winner wasn't to be had by the local sportsman. Wilf Greaves, Canadian middleweight champion, traveled to London, England, where he dumped Mick Leahy twice but had to settle for a draw. Billy Collins dropped Duilio Loi for the first time in his career at Milan, Italy, but nevertheless lost the duke.

Make no mistake about Cliff Murkey, Benton Harbor, Michigan prospect, he is good. Remson, Murkey's latest Chicago victim, was halted at 2:58 of the second round. Earlier Riley was stopped in five and Hill dropped an eight round nod to Cliff.

Detroiter Gene Gresham returned from Mexico where he scored two impressive victories, decisioning Pollo Galvino at Monterey, and Kid Anahuac at Guadalajara.

Localite Clarence Riley now working out east, trekked to Rome, Italy, to fill in for Junius Washington against Renato Moraes. The wiley Riley was disqualified in the tenth round for low blows and holding.

BEHIND THE HEADLINES. . . . Recently appointed Boxing Commissioner David Gudelsky ordered a 90-second rest period between rounds hereafter instead of the customary 60 seconds. The Commissioner has also been working on an idea to announce the officials' score cards after each round. It is difficult to realize any advantage of either idea.

Heavyweight Buster Mathis, of Grand Rapids, and lightheavy Billy Newsome, of Detroit, were Michigan's foremost representatives in the National Golden Gloves Tournament held in Chicago. Mathis lasted till the finals where he was defeated by Bennie Black. Newsome dropped a decision to Bill Joiner in the semi-finals. . . . Charley Padalino, former local middleweight slugger, spending the winter and spring in Hollywood and Las Vegas. . . . Although still in the service, Wilber McClure, Toledo's Olympic champion, will be back in action very shortly. McClure's record four victories in as many starts, three by KO. A very bright prospect indeed. (My address is 8799 Homer Ave., Detroit 9, Mich).

CHICAGO BOXING BEAT
By Bill Harris

In a highly disputed split decision, the fast rising Chicago welterweight Dick Gilford, 148, lost the nod to the very experienced and crafty fellow Chicagoan Willie Westbrook, 147. The referee gave it to Gilford by a good margin but the two judges voted for Westbrook each giving him a one point edge. There was no doubt that the fans disagreed with this decision as they "booed" strongly for several minutes after the bout.

This was Dick Gilford's first main event and he said after the fight that he could have come on a little stronger in the last two rounds but he thought he was ahead by a comfortable margin and wanted to pace himself.

Westbrook as always, boxed skillfully, using a beautiful left jab. He knows most of the right moves, and is almost impossible to knock down.

In another eight rounder preceding the above match, lightweight Johnny White of Fort Wayne, Indiana got the decision over Henry Armstrong's protegé, Adolph Pruitt of St. Louis. White was down for an eight count once in this bout but Pruitt seemed to run out of gas after belting White all over the ring in the first three rounds. This looked like it would be a knockout for Pruitt but White definitely was the better conditioned boxer and came on strongly when his opponent tired.

Other results:

Roy Sayles of Chicago decisioned Gus Chukas of Chicago in a middleweight bout.

Wiley Johnson of Chicago and Wilson Harris of Chicago fought to a draw.

BOXING IN OMAHA
By Lee Sloan

Pro boxing in Nebraska returned to Omaha for the 1962 season. Faster, sharper, and more competent than in any previous Omaha appearances, Bill Nielsen peppered fellow hometown heavyweight Wayne Womochil for a unanimous ten round decision. The City Auditorium crowd of 1,741 paying $4,165.25, saw the third and rowdiest bout of the completely unfriendly rivalry.

Nielsen, beaten only once in 15 professional fights, was described by referee Henry Armstrong, boxing's triple champion, as "another Billy Conn."

Results of preliminaries: Semi-windup—Lowell Lockhart, 165, Chicago, won split decision over Joe Davis, 166, Omaha, eight rounds. Orekunubarues—Ferd Hernandez, 148, Sidney, Neb., decisioned Dick Cotton, 159, Rochester, Minn., four rounds; Art Hernandez, 157, Sidney, Neb., decisioned Al Carbin, 160, Omaha, four rounds; Adolph Pruitt, 135, St. Louis, won by TKO over Boots Washington, 132, Omaha, 0:37 of second.

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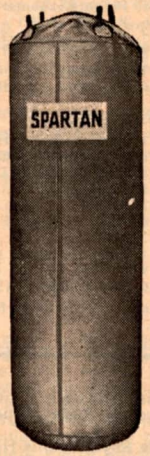

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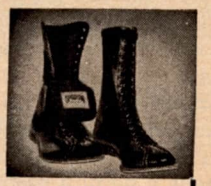
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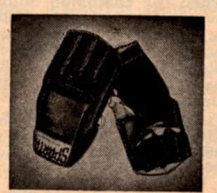

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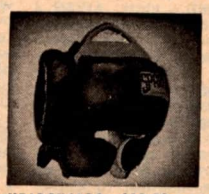
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SUGAR RAMOS DEFEATS RAFIU KING

PARIS. A gamble at the Sports Palace failed to some off when Joe Rafiu King, by now almost a citizen of La Ville Lumiere, was defeated by the Cuban feather, Sugar Ramos, in a bout described as an eliminator for the world title. To add to the promotors' troubles, Gracieux Lamperti made a long-overdue return to action and gave a very ring-rusty exhibition against nimble Rafael Gayo of Spain.

Until the seventh round it was an even battle between King and Ramos, though the Cuban badly shook King in the third and sixth rounds with tremendous hooks. Joe took a bit of a pasting in the seventh and allowed the initiative to be taken over by Ramos until the final gong.

Lamperti was way off form against Rafael Gayo. The Spaniard is a light hitter but never stopped trying and the blond Corsican had to look lively in the final rounds to obtain a narrow decision in his favor. Mohamed Ben Said showed no effects of the lambasting received from Robinson Garcia and halted Ahcene Attar in the seventh session of their lightie larrup whilst Mohamed Kheloni trimmed Ben Sidel in a feathers six.

▸ **BERLIN**—Gustav Scholz, Germany's current boxing idol, scored a tko over Jesse Bowdry of St. Louis, in the sixth round of a 10-round light-heavyweight fight before 15,000 fans in Deutschland Halle. Scholz tipped the scales at 170¾ pounds, Bowdry 175.

In the second and third, Scholz sent Bowdry to the canvas three times. In the sixth Bowdry went down twice and was saved by the bell. His seconds then threw in the towel.

This win opens the way for Scholz to take NBA champ Harold Johnson in a title fight scheduled for June 16 in Berlin. Johnson first must dispose of Doug Jones.

▸ **BARCELONA, Spain.** In a program between local aces and imported Italians, Francisco Bermudez added to his laurels by thoroughly trouncing the very game veteran, Gino Rossi, in a middles eight at the Gran Price. On the same card, Andres Navarro Moreno outpointed Franco Simion in a welter eight, Rafael Fernandez lost out to Luigi Lucini in a bantam eight and De Paco won over Luis Barba in a feathers Six.

▸ **PARIS. At the Central,** heavyweight Jean Huiban scored a points win over the Negro Henri Fréjules in eight rounds whilst Aido Asaro of Italy halted Charles Sylla, whose corner slung in the towel during the third round of their feathers fray. Veteran Jacques Ilari drew with Ouyousef in a feathers six.

▸ **At ST. BRIEUC,** Roger Maligne trimmed Serge Breuillier in a middles ten.

▸ **At ST. QUENTIN,** Jackie Cailliau, a likely middles prospect, won clearly from Marc Desfourneaux in ten rounds.

▸ **MILAN, Italy.** A murmur of alarm spread through the audience at the Sports Palace during the sixth round of Duilio Loi's bout with Billy Collins & the World and European champion was on the deck! For any other it would have mattered nothing but for Loi, it was the first-ever knockdown in his professional career of more than a hundred bouts.

Loi wasn't much hurt and dropped his role of boxing master to tear in with two-fisted attacks which almost overwhelmed the tall American. Collins made a desperate effort to turn the tide in the last round but Loi sent punches from all angles to gain the verdict without dispute.

Two fighters who box all too seldom, Federico Scarponi and Pierre Vetroff, were matched in an excellent bantam clash. In a previous meeting in Paris, Vetroff earned the decision and in the return bout he also merited the decision. Mario D'Agata won clearly over André Gasperini in a bantam eight and Giordano Campari, who has apparently been shorn of his lightweight title, won by a wide margin over young Roger Younsi of France.

▸ **STOCKHOLM, Sweden. At the Royal Tennis Hall,** Lennart Risberg put up a more convincing display by outpointing the English cruiser, Ron Redrup, who has twice decisioned the dangerous Finn, Pekka Kokkonen.

The ballyhooed title clash between Erich Schoeppner and Rinaldi had a further annulment when the champion injured his knee in vaulting over the ropes after a sparring session and had to undergo an operation. Belgium's José Peyre acted as chopping-block for Billy Walker at Wembley and on the same bill, Victor Ducros was retired by his handlers after two rounds against Dave Coventry.

Jean Biosca of France was defeated by Terry Spinks and Erwin Hack put up a sturdy battle against Johnny Prescott to lose on points in a heavyweight slugfest.

▸ **VIENNA, Austria.** The magic name of Laszlo Papp attracted a 16,000 crowd to the City Hall, where the veteran Magyar confirmed his standing by winning over another veteran, though a very tough one, Ralph Tiger Jones. Papp, 158, was a pound or so heavier than the Negro, whose style suited him better than that of some Continental second-raters he has fought. Tiger to the deck in the second and third rounds. But Jones stuck grimly to his guns and set about solving the problem of Papp's unorthodox tactics, frequently getting the better of exchanges in furious bouts of in-fighting. Papp again dropped the New Yorker in the final round to gain a well-earned decision.

In a return bout with Leo Potesil, Hector Constance was only able to reach a drawn verdict, despite a knockdown scored in the fourth. Both men scaled 154. In a further middles fray, Arthur Zemla nodded Knoebl over four rounds, Pepi Fischer halted Rasser in the third heat of a cruiser clash and Edi Happenhofer stopped Krebs in the third round of a welter debate.

▸ **MADRID, Spain. At the Fiesta Alegre,** Silvestre Sevilla met up with Francisco Ortega for the vacant Castilian middles title, which Sevilla won by virtue of a very disputed points win. Enrique Levy knocked out José Lopez in the second session of a lightweight bout.

At **BARCELONA,** Andres Navarro Moreno succeeded in defeating Bobby Ros in defense of his Catalonian welter title. Ros was frequently warned for fouling. In two lightie scraps, Felix Serrano won over Vincente Ferrando and Perez Robledo defeated Garcia Montserrat.

▸ **RENNES,** France—Roger Younsi, still in the novice stage, was pitted against world-rated Joe Rafiu King here, a match which drew 3,000 spectators but only provided meager entertainment. Younsi was continually on the verge of a knockout defeat, finally the Frenchman was ruled out in the tenth round for continued holding. In a welter ten, Georges Payen trimmed Girolamo Licatesi.

▸ **ST. NAZAIRE, France**—Charles Attali underrated his opponent, Michel Francois, in their middles clash, with the result that the latter was able to stack up a points lead before Attali got into gear. Francois got the nod after ten rounds, no knockdowns. Jean Jouaudin outscored Michel Atlan in a feathers eight.

▸ **PARIS—At the Mutualité,** only 750 fans attended the program featuring welter prospect Claude Saluden and the Spaniard, José Navarro Paredes, who was fighting abroad for the first time. Saluden made hard work of it and only a last-minute sprint earned him the verdict.

Michel Lamora was held to a draw by Christian Marchand in a bantam ten and the Italian lightie, Carlo Stellutti, chilled Francois Gerard in four.

▸ **FLORENCE, Italy**—Luciano Piazza knocked out Stefan Palfy of Yugolsavia in the second round of a welter dispute; Palfy hasn't fought for two years. Sandro Mazzinghi floored Gerhard Moll four times before the ref halted their middles fray in the fifth round.

▸ **At BRESCIA**—Sante Amonti made a welcome return to action, forcing Alain Cherville of Belgium to retire in the fourth round after taking two trips to the canvas. Giuliano Nervino likewise obliged Ernesto Sardelli to retire in the second heat of a welter scrap and Cosimo Lacirignola stopped Giussppe Fanfoni in the second round of a feathers discussion.

MILAN, Italy—Mario Sitri, a second-rater until his title is at stake, surprised fans at the Lido Palace by outfighting Michele Gullotti in defense of his featherweight crown. Sitri upset Gullotti by taking over the role of challenger and carried the fight to his younger rival.

▸ **PARIS—At the Salle Wagram,** Yoland Leveque registered another win by checking Daniel Leuillier, whose corner slung in the towel during the sixth round of their middles dispute. Ameur Lamine, Tunisian lightie, trounced Jean Biosca.

▸ **At BOURGES**—Epiphane Aknon floored local welter Ahmed Sebane for a count of "9" during the sixth round but didn't follow up. Sebane boxed well in the succeeding rounds to nab the decision.

▸ **BARCELONA, Spain** — The national feathers champ, José Biescas, won clearly over Ernesto Torres of Madrid in a fast ten whilst Rafael Fernandez decisioned Francisco Carreno in a bantam eight.

CONTINENTAL RATINGS

(UP TO APRIL 20, 1962)

HEAVIES	LIGHTHEAVIES	MIDDLES	WELTERS
1. Ingemar Johansson (SW)	1. Erich Schoeppner (G)	1. Laszlo Papp (HY)	1. Duilio Loi (I)
2. Karl Mildenberger (G)	2. Giulio Rinaldi (I)	2. Hans Wohlers (G)	2. Bruno Visintin (I)
3. Albert Westphal (G)	3. Gustav Scholz (G)	3. Hippolyte Annex (F)	3. Fortunato Manca (I)
4. Hans Kalbfell (G)	4. Lennart Risberg (SW)	4. Marcel Pigou (F)	4. Chris Christensen (D)
5. Wim Snoek (H)	5. Pekka Kokkonen (FN)	5. Heini Freytag (G)	5. Stefan Redl (G)
6. Franco De Piccoli (I)	6. Paul Roux (F)	6. Peter Mueller (G)	6. Sauveur Chiocca (F)
7. Franco Cavicchi (I)	7. Peter Gumpert (G)	7. Luis Folledo (S)	7. Maurice Auzel (F)
8. Mino Bozzano (I)	8. Leen Jansen (H)	8. Nino Benvenuti (I)	8. Omrane Sadok (T)
9. Gerhard Zech (G)	9. Germinal Ballarin (F)	9. Armand Vannucci (F)	9. Claude Saluden (F)
10. Robert Duquesne (F)	10. Nelis Oostrum (H)	10. Franco Fiori (I)	10. Georges Estatoff (F)
LIGHTWEIGHTS	**FEATHERS**	**BANTAMS**	**FLYWEIGHTS**
1. Aissa Hashas (F)	1. Gracieux Lamperti (F)	1. Pierre Cossemyns (B)	1. Salvatore Burruni (I)
2. Giordano Campari (I)	2. Willi Quatuor (G)	2. Alphonse Halimi (F)	2. Mimun Ben Ali (S)
3. Mario Vecchiatto (I)	3. Olli Maeki (FN)	3. Piero Rollo (I)	3. René Libeer (F)
4. Fernand Nollet (F)	4. Sergio Capari (I)	4. Pierre Vetroff (F)	4. Jean Guerard (F)
5. Guizani Rezgui (T)	5. Jean Renard (B)	5. Federico Scarponi (I)	5. Risto Luukkonen (FN)
6. Conny Rudhof (G)	6. René Barriere (F)	6. Mario D'Agata (I)	6. Pierre Rossi (F)
7. Ray Nobile (I)	7. Mario Sitri (I)	7. Giuseppe Linzalone (I)	7. Albert Younsi (F)
8. Guy Gracia (F)	8. Lino Mastellaro (I)	8. Michel Lamora (F)	8. Kamara Diop (F)
9. Juan Albornoz (S)	9. Michele Gullotti (I)	9. Jean Claude Leroy (F)	9. Raton Osuna (S)
10. Sandro Lopopulo (I)	10. José L. Biescas (S)	10. Kimbo Calderin (S)	10. Young Martin (S)

LEGEND: B Belgium; D Denmark; F France; FN Finland G Germany; H Holland; HY Hungary; I Italy; S Spain; SW Sweden; T Tunisia.

HELSINGBORG, Sweden—Lennart Risberg made a shaky return to action by mauling a points victory over Rupert Bentley of Jamaica, who only lasted a few moments against Helmut Ball in Germany. Bentley proved a very foxy customer. He had the Swede's damaged eye bleeding in the second round and hit him at will. In the fifth round Risberg injured his right hand.

Risto Luukkonen of Finland repeated a win scored in amateur days by halting Don Weller, England, who retired with cut eyes in the third round of a flyweight scrap and Olli Maeki, Finnish feather, had a very stormy passage against Dennis Adjei, Ghana, winning very narrowly on points. John Henry, USA, trimmed the Danish heavy, Carl Welschou, over eight rounds. The card was presented by Pelle Ahl and drew 3,000 gate.

ASCOLI PICENO, Italy—Sandro Lopopulo won in a monotonous lightweight eight over Sesto Righeschi here.

At MODENA—Tommaso Truppi iced Juan Ruiz in the second heat of a middles affair. Attilio Vit flattened Charley Casey (Kassem) of Morocco in the opening round of a cruiser debate.

MADRID, Spain—At the Sports Palace, Mariano Echevarria avenged a previous defeat at the hands of gigantic Manolito Garcia by knocking out his 270 adversary in the fourth round. Garcia was dropped in the opening session.

Francisco Bermudez outslugged the French middle, Jean Beltritti, who retired in the fifth round and Enrique Levy gained an unpopular verdict over Tony Ramos in a lightie eight. José Bisbal won over Casal in a feathers eight.

LYONS, France—Nick Maric, now campaigning in the cruiser division, displayed his usual fortitude by lasting the distance against Michel Vinot. He cut the Frenchman above the left eye in the second round and remained dangerous until the final bell, the decision was awarded to Vinot.

A badly cut eye forced Rino Borra of Italy to retire in the sixth round of his bout with the Peruvian welter clouter, Dante Pelaez, whilst Maurice Tavant nodded Roger Prigent in a lightweight ten.

PARIS—At the Sports Palace, Marcel Pigou retained his placing by out-fighting the redoubtable Corsican, Armand Vannucci, in a tremendous slugging duel. Pigou was rocked during the fourth round by a hook to the jaw but recovered using his superior skill and ringcraft to gain the decision.

Young Abder Faradji, still a beginner, was put in against Angel Robinson Garcia and was duly stopped in the fifth round of a one-sided lightie discussion.

Jean Houbloup drew with Jean Dos Santos of Portugal in a feathers six. Joseph Juvillier outfought blond Marcel Tirel in a cruiser eight.

PARIS—At the Central, Milow Bulat of Yugoslavia won clearly from Guy Francois in a lightie eight.

At BREST—Jean-Claude Leroy trimmed Jean Pichard in a bantam ten.

At CAUDRY, Jackie Caillau outscored Marcel Moello in a middles eight.

GHENT, Belgium—Miguel "Kimbo" Calderin, the Spanish bantam, made a fine showing in his first bout beyond the Pyrenees, losing on points to Pierre Cossemyns after a hard-fought ten rounder. Despite many hard knocks, Calderin fought back dourly and never refused the chance to slug it out. Bob Stevens outsmarted Fabio Bettini to win on points whilst Emile Saerens proved too strong for the veteran Spaniard, Ben Buker II, in a second middles ten.

Lion Ven kayoed Henrik Szepanik of Yugoslavia in the second round of a cruiser clash, Henny Van Berkum, Holland, outfought Belgian cruiser Valere Mahau in six and Michel Takacs, Hungarian bantam, whipped Ben Saidi over six rounds. Luc Haeck scored over Pierre Marcel in a lightie six.

ROTTERDAM, Holland—Wim Snoek retained his heavyweight title when challenger Leen Jansen was ruled out in the ninth round for a palpably low blow. Snoek stayed on the defensive at the start and Jensen began roughing it up, which drew similar tactics from the champ.

Jan De Vos stopped Assane Fakyh in the eighth round of a welter dispute, Harko Kokmeyer decisioned Marc Desfourneaux in a middles ten, welter Chris Kok edged out Maurice Francois and Curly Ko won over Edmond Noré in a lightweight six.

BOLOGNA, Italy—At the Sports Palace, Fortunato Manca had an easy win over Daniel Brunet, the French welter. He was halted in the fourth round.

Franco Musso returned to action, now as a lightweight, outscoring the Algerian Belaid Meslem over ten rounds whilst Giuseppe Migliari could only win by a narrow points margin over Max Brianto, the French heavy dragged out of retirement.

MILAN, Italy—Only a small attendance at the Lido Palace, where Salvatore Burruni indulged in a useful workout at the expense Henri Schmid, who was sent back to his corner during the fifth round after taking quite a shellacking.

Giancarlo Garbelli bit off more than he could chew when he started roughhousing Joaquin Riquelme of Spain, finally losing the decision after ten hard rounds, Garbelli's second defeat on the trot.

José Menno, Argentine cruiser, outslugged Gino Rossi over eight rounds, Santini stopped negro Charles Kienou in the sixth of a middles clash and Valerio Nunez, Argentine lightie, made a successful debut by twinning over Domenico Pillon in a fast six-rounder.

TUNIS, North Africa—Omrane Sadok, local welter who built up his reputation in Paris, displayed his prowess before 5,000 fellow-townsmen, Charley Douglas playing the role of sacrifical goat. Sadok kicked off with a furious attack and dropped the American twice in the third round but in the next session Douglas slung over a short right to the chin which floored Sadok for "9". The Tunisian fought back strongly and in the seventh, Douglas's corner slung in the towel after he had taken two further counts.

Ameur Lamine outfought the Belgian lightweight champ, Aimé Devisch, over ten rounds.

BARCELONA, Spain—Luis Folledo again put his middles title at stake against his old rival, Diego Infantes, who fought bitterly in an attempt to regain the crown but lost out after twelve rounds.

Italians furnished the opposition on the rest of the card. Renato Ravasi retired in the seventh against middles prospect Francisco Bermudez and welter Raffaele Mennunni struck his flag in the eighth against Navarro Moreno. Luigi Lucini lost an unpopular decision against Felix Alonso in a bantam eight.

TURIN, Italy—Ernesto Miranda fought his usual brilliant technical battle to outscore French flyweight Pierre Rossi over ten rounds whilst Nino Benvenuti fought out a rugged duel with Manfred Hass of Germany, winning over eight rounds Franco Fiori, still undefeated, checked the German middles novice Ossi Bochow, in round two and Gianni Scorda blasted out Germain Vivier, flooring the French featherweight five times in the third round, whereupon his corner signalled his retirement.

LYONS, France—Robert DiMartino put up a stout resistance against Joe Rafiu King but in the fifth round he was decked for "5"; a further battery of punches flung him against the ropes and his manager wisely threw in the towel.

Jean Josselin obliged Chris Kok of Holland to retire in the third heat of a lightweight duel owing to cut eyes and dynamic hitting Jean Parra chilled Maxime Cochin in the opening round of a bantam contest.

NICE, France—Sauveur Chiocca finally became French welter champion, but it was only by a narrow margin that he won over André Davier. Chiocca allowed his opponent to accumulate a points lead before starting a counter-offensive but Davier was hard to dislodge. By the fifteenth it was even-stephen when Davier was dropped for "9" by a dubious punch to the midriff, the knockdown tipping the verdict in Chiocca's favor.

Leon Zadourian won over Roger Prigent in a lightie ten and Joseph Syoz debuted in the paid ranks with a win over heavyweight José Fantino in six rounds.

ST. JEAN DE LUZ, France—Boxing started here again with the comeback of Giacomo Nervi, now a middleweight, who won over trial-horse Lou Mourros in ten rounds.

At NANTES, Maurice Auzel gained a very unpopular verdict over Georges Estatoff in a welter ten and Antonio Saez, amateur middles star, debuted with a win over Emile Matei in six rounds.

AOSTA, Italy—Paolo Cottino, 161, won on points in a monotonous ten against the wily Ali Amrane, 161.

At SAVONA—Tito Rowinetti appeared to have earned more than a draw against Annibale Omodei after a hard welter eight whilst Bracco won in the opening round of a heavyweight bout when Bonacina sustained a cut eye.

In ROME—Tiberia won over Breschi in a welter eight, Gian Tomassini won from Badalassi in a heavies six.

AGEN, France — Serge Boe outfought Michel Francois in a cruiser ten here.

In MARSEILLES — Marcel Fabre knocked out René Pigeon in the eight round of a middles dispute.

BARCELONA, Spain—José Luis Martinez decisioned Francisco Carreno in a bantam ten at the Gran Price.

At SANTA CRUZ, in the Canary Isles, Juan "Sombrita" Albornoz retained his lightweight diadem by belting out Tito Gomez in the eleventh round, quite a notable performance.

FRANKFORT, Germany. Two national titles were put on the line at the Festhalle, attracting a gate of 8,000. Tough Helmut Ball clashed with young Peter Gumpert to decide who should succeed to the vacant lightheavy title and Ball tried to make sure by using his head as a third fist. Gumpert made even going off it up to the sixth round, a brief knockdown was balanced by warnings received by Ball. From the seventh, Gumpert forged slowly ahead as Ball's attacks gradually faded and the verdict went to the Berliner at the end of the twelfth round. Ball afterwards announced his retirement.

Hans Wohlers defended his bright new middles diadem against Heini Freytag and succeeded in outboxing and outfighting his game challenger. Freytag had the blond Hamburger in distress during the eleventh but failed to follow up his advantage and lost clearly over twelve rounds.

Peter Mueller, 158, was handed an easy victime in Joe Wynt of Austria, 157, who was knocked out in the opening round and suffered a broken nose in the process.

Peter Goschka, 125, forced Joe Buck to retire in the third round after dropping his foe three times while Klaus Langhammer, 169, lost on points to Rudi Nehring after eight rounds.

Bodo Wuesten, 150, started the program with a win over Syria's Salah Mousri, 158, over four rounds.

PAVIA, Italy — Giordano Campari made light work of his bout with Rudi Langer of Germany, who kept the Italian at distance until the fourth round, when Campari moved in with two hooks to the liver which floored the Teuton for the full count. Blond Serafino Novati had a tough task subduing Basilio Cominardi in a return cruiser clash over six rounds.

BOLOGNA, Italy—Franco Cavicchi put up one of his occasional impressive displays at the Sports Palace and fortunately the heavyweight title was at stake. The champion, Rocco Mazzola, defeated him in a previous defense but in the return clash, it was all Cavicchi. After the bout, Mazzola announced his retirement.

In a second heavies clash, Bert Whitehurst outslugged Federico Friso in a crude eight-rounder, Tommaso Truppi decisioned Julius Caesar, South African middle, over eight and Alfredo Parmeggiani trimmed Annibale Omodei in a welter eight. Giuliano Bertocchi surprisingly forced Attilio Vit to retire in the third round of a lightheavy larrup.

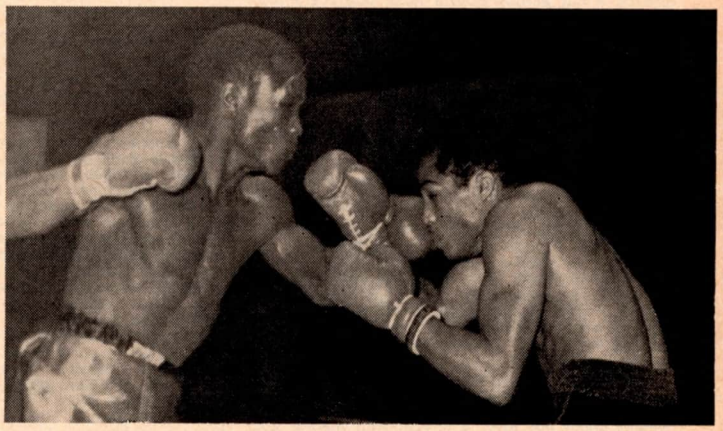
MILAN, Italy—At the Lido Palace, Nino Benvenuti stopped Gianni Lommi in the fifth round of a one-sided middles bout which nearly had a tragic ending. As Benvenuti moved in, hooking at the body, Lommi began to fall, at the same time raising his arms in surrender.

Carlos Duran, Argentine middle, had his eyebrow cut by a flagrant butt from Paolo Cottino but the ref ordered him to continue. Duran had to retire at the end of the second round.

Franco Brondi stopped Giuseppe Marotto in the fourth round of a lightweight affair. Marotto was boxing rings round the Tuscan, floored him during the second round but made the mistake of slugging it out. Hector Oliva, Argentine feather, stopped Giusti in four and Fiordelmondo whipped Renato Bianchini in a middles six.

MADRID, Spain. Luis Folledo made sure of his rating by repeating his win against Michel Diouf, handing the Senegalese a regular drubbing in their ten-rounder at the Sports Palace.

Mariano Echevarria had little trouble in outpointing the much lighter Moussa Sangaree in a heavyweight eight and the only win scored by



Sugar Ramos (right) moves in on Rafiu King of Nigeria during their ten round featherweight bout at the Sports Palace in Paris. The Cuban forced the action most of the way and closed strong to win the verdict.

the Franco-African team was registered by bantam Kamara Diop, who defeated Kimbo Calderin over eight rounds.

▸ **PARIS—At the Central,** featherweights André Valignat and André Gasperini, veterans, gave a display of brawling and fouling which ended in a draw after ten rounds.

Mebarek Limane drew with Aldo Asari of Italy in a feathers six and lightweight Rolf Spicer remained unbeaten by a win over Pierre Declitte, who was ruled out in the fifth round for butting.

▸ **LYONS, France.** Jean Ruellet retrieved lost prestige by earning a draw against Charley Attali in a middles ten despite a knockdown in the opening round.

Francois Pavilla, Martinique welter ace, decisioned Maurice Devilliers in ten, Italian Paolo Sciré won over Berquez in a lightie six and Maurice Tavant outdistanced foxy Ahcene Attar in a lightie ten.

▸ **RHEIMS, France**—Paul Roux won over Nick Maric, the valiant Slav, but had a difficult time of it. The French cruiser champ floored Maric in the second round but the latter sprang to his feet immediately and fought back furiously, which led to him taking two more trips floorwards. He opened a cut across Roux's nose but sustained cut eyes himself and wound up loser after a gory bout.

▸ **MILAN, Italy**—The Lido Palace was half-empty due to the main event between Sandro Lopopulo and Jackie Chauveau being transmitted on video. Lopopulo was in fine feckle and Chauveau fought his usual non-stop battle with the result that by the seventh round he was out of gas and obliged to retire.

Primo Zamparini tried for a similar win but found Christian Marchland, Parisian flyweight, too smart for him and was lucky to get a draw after eight rounds.

Piero Del Papa, cruiser prospect, stopped Pietro Longheu in the seventh to score his eleventh straight win. Rosino Sommi reversed a previous defeat by whipping Enzo Rozzi in a welter six.

▸ **ROME**—The return of Renato Moraes to the Sports Palace against a selected American opponent was a flop. The opponent was Clarence Riley, a fighter with a poor record. Against Moraes he butted and clinched his way to the tenth round before the ref decided to rule him out.

Mario Vecchiatto looked as if he might flatten Paul Maolet in the opening rounds of their lightweight clash but after a knockdown, Maolet got moving and lasted out the ten rounds to lose on points.

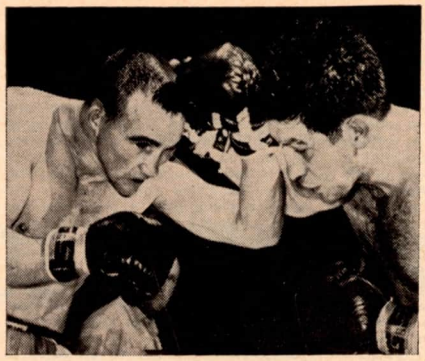
Ray Nobile punched away for ten rounds at René Barriere, French feathers champion, to win on points and Luigi Castolti was awarded an unpopular win over Jesse Jones of America in a welter eight.

Franco Nencik boxed a draw against Giacomo Putti in a fast welter eight and Gomes Da Sylva of Brazil forced a young Neapolitan named Daniele to retire in the fourth round of another welter fray.

▸ **LISSONE, Italy**—Paulino Cobo of Spain put up a tough resistance against local feathers star Lino Mastellaro but was knocked out in the fifth round.

▸ **At PESARO**—Giuseppe Linzalone forced Baldani to retire in the third round of a one-sided bantam slam and Geppino Gentiletti was suprisingly given the decision after an even middles eight against Paolo Melis.

▸ **In FLORENCE** — The good middles prospect, Sandro Mazzinghi, scored his eleventh straight win by stopping Mohamed Seba of Algeria in six rounds. Seba took a count and was taking a bad mauling when the bout was stopped.



Don Fullmer (left) scored quite an upset when he outpointed Joe DeNucci over ten rounds in Boston on St. Paddy's eve all-star show. DeNucci had lost one of his previous 15 fights before losing to Don. In other bouts Tom McNeeley beat Don Prout, Bob Fosmire beat Charley Scott, Mike Pusateri was held to a draw by Ted Williams and George Colton beat Jimmy Connors.

SPOT THE GOOFS ANSWERS

1. The fighting DeJohn brothers were Carmen, Ralph, Mike and Joey. John was their manager.
2. The price for the Sullivan-Corbett fight was $100, as was the Corbett-Peter Jackson fight.
3. Yes, Walker won the first award named for him in 1940.
4. No, when Jack Cooper fought Wolf Bendoff in South Africa in 1889, the stake was $23,000.00.
5. The Maxim-Robinson fight was in the Yankee Stadium, and the Moore-Olsen fight in the Polo Grounds was held three years later in 1955.
6. Yes, Tom McNeeley, Pete Rademacher, Roy Harris, Ingemar Johansson, Rocky Marciano, John L. Sullivan, Bill Squires, James J. Jeffries, James J. Corbett, and Luis Angel Firpo.
7. Yes they did under the names of Rocky Kansas, Beau Jack and Willie Ritchie.
8. No, Ace Hudkins was the "Nebraska Wildcat."
9. Yes and Poland knocked Blunt out in the fourth round.
10. Correct. These were the only years other than 1908 and 1928 when this happened.
11. Correct. The kayo at the hands of Michaels was the only time in his career of 110 bouts that Goodrich was kayoed. Drawing is of Goodrich.
12. Correct. He beat Carter in a return match then lost eleven bouts in a row.

PACIFIC NORTHWEST BOXING NEWS

by Ruggles Larson

Tacoma, Washington—George Wright, 160, Tacoma, rallied in the late rounds to earn a draw with Mel Collins, 159, Trenton, N. J. Wright dropped Collins with a left hook in the ninth, but couldn't follow up his advantage over the ringwise Collins.

Judge Al McNeish and referee Ernie Jensen both scored the bout 96 to 96, while judge Jack Elich tabbed it 97 to 97.

In the semifinal, Greatest Crawford, 177, Ft. Lewis via Brooklyn, N. Y., stopped the previously undefeated Sid Carter, 175, Seattle, in the second round. Herb Le Sueur, 160, Ft. Lewis via Portland, Ore., won a close, but unanimous decision over Willie Jennings, 162, Seattle, in a six rounder. Clarence Rogers, Ft. Lewis via St. Louis, made his professional debut by stopping Gary Kuehns, 191, Spokane, in the first round. In the opener, Kid Fernando, 144, Mexico City, decisioned Pedro Lopez, 136, Tacoma, in four.

The Inigo Lucceshi promotion drew 1,091 fans, paying $3,620.

▸ **Portland, Oregon**—Denny Moyer's chief sparring partner, for his preparation for Gene Fullmer, has been brother Phil. Phil has been looking sharp in workouts and is planning a comeback.

▸ **Seattle, Washington**—Bob Pasquale, Ring Magazine's prospect of the month for April, was selected athlete of the year for Seattle.

▸ This years Pacific Northwest boxing team didn't fare as well as last years National team champions. Two boxers reached the finals. Wade Smith of Portland, Ore., won the welter title and Jodie Harris was runner-up in the lightwelters.

▸ **Seattle, Washington**—Eddie Cotton, Seattle's number 4 ranked light-heavy, is back in training after his accident at work.

MAT WORLD

(Continued from page 42)

tling returned to the Hippodrome in Waterloo with five big events. The 1st event saw Marcel DuPont and Geno Marcello battle. Marcello weighed in at a "mere" 297 pounds. After 11 minutes Marcello was disqualified by referee Thor Hagen. The 2nd event pitted Maurice LaPoint and Tarzan Tyler in a one fall 20 minute time limit affair. Tyler with the help of his opponents trunks pinned LaPoint in 16 minutes. The 3rd Event placed the Iowa Champion Ray Gordon, and "Bulldog" Lee Henning in the ring together in a non-title match. After 20 minutes of Mr. Hennings unnecessary roughness he was disqualified.

The semi-main event of the evening was a tag team event. The team of Tyler and Marcello go against the two Frenchmen, LaPoint and DuPont. Tyler won the 1st fall with the devastating "Claw" hold in 14 minutes. DuPont and LaPoint won the 2nd fall in 22 minutes, and the 3rd fall in 29 minutes. The Highlight of the evening's card was for the Central States Heavyweight Championship. The agreement before the match was that the loser would have to leave the territory. The Champion Buddy "Killer" Austin weighed in at 251 pounds, and the challenger Sonny Meyers weighed in at 233 pounds. After seeing Austin win the 1st fall in 12 minutes spectators were fearfull that Meyers may be the one to leave. However, after seeing Meyers win the 2nd fall in 19 minutes with the "Spine-Tickler" the fans were a little easier on the thought. The last fall was short but "sweet" for Meyer fans, as Sonny put his popular "Sleeper" hold on the "Killer" after only a minute of action. Buddy Austin was asleep about 5 minutes, and Meyers wouldn't wake him, so the task went to the referee Thor Hagen. So Austin after holding the Championship for eight months was not only dethroned, but had to leave the area to boot.

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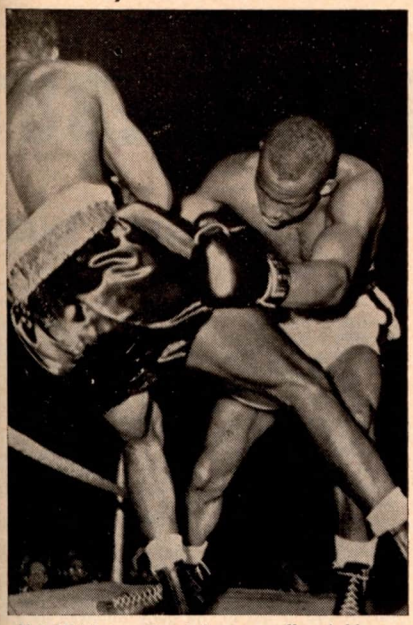
IN AND AROUND PHILADELPHIA
By Archie Pirolli



Mel Middleton, local boxer, suffered his second defeat in 24 pro fights when he lost to Eddie Perkins, Chicago's top-ranking junior welterweight.

Mel was stopped in the eighth round on a technical knockout at the Arena in a show promoted by Al Lewis and Jimmy Riggio. Perkins, who weighed 137 pounds to Middleton's 130, caught the slim featherweight on the chin with a right hand near the end of the eighth round and buckled Mel's knees when referee Zach Clayton stopped the bout. In the third round following an exchange of combinations, Mel missed so vigorously and fell to the floor and sat down. Clayton called it a knockdown.

Despite this loss, Middleton is an excellent prospect in the junior lightweight class.

The crowd count was 1,747 and the box office take $7,093 gross.

Percy Manning, a very good looking local prospect who had scored nine knockouts in nine professional starts went the limit for the first time as a pro when he decisioned the more experienced Sid (Sweetpea) Adams in the eight-round semi-windup. Manning weighed 142 to 144½. We predicted that Percy would go far and looks like the next star in this city.

In another eight-rounder the fight of the night between local favorites Stanley Hayward, 152 and Willie Davis, 155, who put on one of the best fights of the year. They banged each other from the start to the final bell and wound up in a draw.

Hy Smith, 151, New York, outpointed Frankie Taylor, 146, Phila., in six rounds. In fours, Clarence Preston, 167, Phila., TKOd Vince Grantone, 157, Phila., in the first round. Lenny Brown, 147, Phila., gained a TKO over Angel Ramos, 145, New York, in the second round.

▸ Steve Tomassi, a 33-year-old Philadelphian who has been promoting fights in Philly for the past three years, moved his promotion to the Hugh Cancella Community Center, Fairless Hills, Pa., (a Philadelphia suburb). This brings boxing back to lower Buck County, after an absence of seven years.

▸ The following shows were held at the Blue Horizon Arena:

Ike White, 156, just missed getting three perfect scorecards as he posted a unanimous eight round decision over Al Hauser, 165, in a local match. Hauser substituted for Ernest Hill, of Detroit.

In other bouts, Les Collins, 145, Phila., decisioned Tank Hill, 145, Baltimore, four rounds. Dave Seabrook, 138, Phila., decisioned John Howard, 130, Washington, D. C., six rounds. Joe McIntyre, 165, Phila., decisioned Jimmy Long, 172, Washington, four rounds, and Dave Wyett, 144, Washington, TKO'd Larry Wright, 142, New York, sixth round.

▸ Since his coming out of semiretirement last fall, George Benton, 160, Phila., registered his third straight victory when he stopped Eddie Thompson, 160, New York, in the eighth round. Benton was ahead on all three scorecards when referee John Fitzpatrick ended the action.

In a six-round semi-windup, Steve Haywood, 133, Baltimore, and Charley Driver, 134, Washington, D.C., fought to a draw. In other bouts, Billy Gordon, 139, Phila., decisioned Jimmy Baker, 133, Phila., four rounds, and Jimmy Hariston, 156, Phila., decisioned Dick Miller, 154, Phila., four rounds.

▸ Unbeaten Dick Turner, 13-0-1, Philadelphia, now ranked No. 9 by NBA, won a unanimous decision over Gaylard Barnes, 155, Valley Stream, L. I., in eight rounds. Turner, 147, had and easy time with Barnes. The crowd of 831 paid a gross gate of $2,237.

In other bouts, Joe McIntyre, 165, Phila., held off a late rally to decision Bernie McGlinchey, 161, Phila., eight rounds. Jimmy Griffin, 132, Phila., won by a TKO over Rick Conti, 131, Phila., when Conti was not permitted to answer the bell for the eighth round. Indian Ray Staples, 182, Reading, Pa., knocked out Joe Branham, 188, Burlington, N. J., in the second round, and Bobby Rutherford, 167, Trenton, decisioned Ralph Stevens, 170, Phila., four rounds.

▸ Clarence Williams, 137, Phila., scored an upset TKO victory over Freddy Jackson, 138, Chicago, in the fifth round. Referee Dave Belcff stopped the battle when a cut over Jackson's left eye started bleeding badly. The winner was ahead on all three scorecards.

In the six round semi-windup, Jimmy Hairston, 156, Phila., was held to a draw by Bobby Hurtt, 149, Baltimore. Hairston, a gold prospect had won his first six pro bouts. Dave Norine, 145, Phila., knocked out Les Collins, 145, Phila., in the third round; Jimmy Brewer, 135, Baltimore, decisioned Young Flash Gordon, 138, Phila., four rounds, and Cash White, 165, Atlantic City, TKO'd Dick Miller, 165, Phila., in the second round.

▸ Alhambra Club: Willie Davis, 146, Phila., stopped Clarence Collins, 154, in the fourth round of the windup on a show promoted by Jimmy Riggio.

The attraction of the evening however, was Little Italy's "battle of the century"—a grudge fight between Basil (Turk) Brocco and Frank DeVuono—was short and fiery. DeVuono, a rich young fruit produce merchant, has had some boxing know-how, won by a TKO in the second round. This started fights among the house. The crash of overturning chairs sounded as if the roof was failling on the Arena. The ring lights went out. It was frightening for a time. The gate was $2,310 gross with 940 cash customers paying. Calvin Woodland, 130, Washington, dealt Willie Little, 131, a local prospect his first pro defeat in winning a six-round decision. Lenny Brown, 147, Phila., and Carlton Thomas, 155, Washington, D. C., drew in four rounds.

NEW JERSEY BOXING
By Lew Eskin

Archie McBride, 33 year old Trenton heavyweight, who lost a decision to Floyd Patterson and Ingemar Johansson during his 46 bout career will make a comeback under the management of Pete Rademacher. Archie who has been out of action for over two years has been training for the past four months. Big time boxing came back to Jersey after an absence of close to 14 years with a gate of $17,000. A last minute break in the main bout hurt the gate as Willie Pastrano was forced to withdraw with an injured hand and Alonzo Johnson of Rankin, Pa., took his place against Rodolfo Diaz of Argentina.

Diaz, 185, was in complete command in a dull, mauling fight. Diaz won Referee Joey Harrison's nod by a 7-2-1 margin over Johnson who weighed 195.

The remainder of the card saved the show for Promoter Jimmy Colotto and matchmaker Duke Stefano. In the semi-final, Rubin Carter, 158, Paterson, flattened Jimmy McMillan, 160, of the Bronx, with one terrific left hook in 2:17 of the third round. Referee Willie Pep did not bother to count.

Union City's Sammy Jordan, 169, dropped a bad decision to Otha Brown, 162, Miami, in a slam-bang four rounder refereed by Allie Todisco. Guillermo Talavera, 146, Bronx, had too much ring savvy for young Don Silva, 147, Newark, and won the decision after six rounds; Domingo Ortiz, 153, Hoboken outscored Bob Smiley, 145, Brooklyn, in 4; Bobby Avena, 168, Brooklyn, drew with a clowning Duke Johnson, 175 of Red Bank in 4. Charley Montgomery, 153, Newark, opened the show with a decision over Neil Morrison, 159, Paterson in 4.

▸ **Totowa** . . . Ray Villalona, 163, Santo Domingo, Dominican Republican, scored a big upset when he knocked out 'Irish" Babe Simmons, 163½, Levittown, L.I., with one straight right to the jaw in 1:20 of the third round.

In the semi-final Johnny Torres, 156, Paterson, won referee Mickey Greb's verdict over Jimmy Dorsey, 147, New York, in a slow moving eight rounder. In other bouts, Carl Miner, 165, New York, came off the floor in the third round to gain referee Gus Lesnevich's vote over Sammy Jordan, 165, Union City, in six rounds.

In fours: Frank Fudge, 185, Long Island City, scored over Miguel Pacheco, 185, New York; Cap Morelli, 173, Paterson, edged out Jerry Riddle, 169, Amityville, L.I., and Ronnie Ruggerio, 161, Paterson, and Nat Thompson, 159, New York, struggled to a draw.

The real inside story of the Joe Brown-Carlos Ortiz world lightweight title fight reported exclusively for THE RING readers by Carlos Ortiz himself. A Feature in the July RING. . . .

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THE BRITISH ISLES

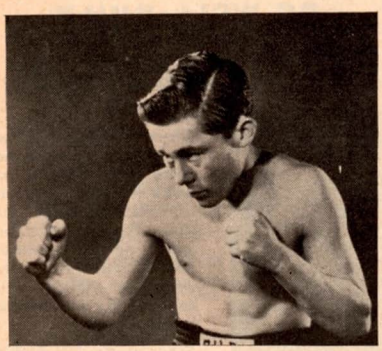
BILLY WALKER WINS PRO DEBUT

By JOHN S. SHARPE

LONDON—There's nothing like starting at the top. The problem is to remain there.

With a fanfare of trumpets and the Empire Pool at Wembley darkened, so the searchlights could lead him the way, the most talked-of amateur heavyweight in recent British history, Billy Walker, entered the ring for his first professional appearance. For the auspicious occasion Walker received a guarantee of 3,000 pounds (about $8,400 in American exchange) by Promoter Harry Levene. His opponent was the mediocre Belgian veteran, Jose Peyre, who had just been stopped in four rounds by a young German, Paul Kraus, in Dortmund.

Going into the fifth round, Peyre showed Walker up for what he was—a willing but crude amateur. In the fifth, Peyre sank to the canvas from a blow that landed in the region of the kidney. Holding his hand to his side, the Belgian complained to the referee, Harry Gibbs, but was ordered to "box on." Another blow to the same region sent Peyre staggering across the ring, at which point the referee stepped in and called a halt in Walker's favor.



Lennie Williams, undefeated Welshman who made it 15 kayos in 18 bouts.

The programme was full of action, and most of the cheers were given to Terry Spinks, West Ham, 126¾, and Billy "The Kid" Davis, Bow, 127½, who thrilled the fans for all of their eight rounds. . . . By my score card Spinks, who was given the decision by referee Harry Gibbs, had not made up the leeway that Davis obtained in the first six rounds. . . . The fans did not take kindly to the decision in Spinks favour and voiced their disapproval when Terry's hand was raised. . . .

In the other bout, Mick Leahy, Coventry & Cork, 159¼, and Wilf Greaves, Middleweight Champion of Canada, 161¾, battled through ten rounds what could be better described as a pier 6 brawl. . . . From the first to the last they threw leather at one another, and in the sixth, Leahy was the recipient of a butt on the nose which forced him to take "nine". The Irishman rose and went into the fray with more determination and the crowd cheering him on. . . . Although Leahy finished the stronger, it was a bout that neither deserved to lose, and when referee Tommy Little raised both their hands, denoting a draw, money was thrown into the ring. . . .

Whatever pretentions Johnny Kramer, West Ham, 146, had of challenging Brian Curvis for his titles was dispelled when he was outclassed by Wally Swift, Nottingham, former Welterweight Champion, 148½, Referee Tommy Little called a halt in the seventh. . . . Kramer tried hard to get at close quarters but Swift's educated left hand kept him at bay at every turn. . . .

Ken Potter, Battersea, 195¼, and Ron Gray, Leamington, 196, put up a thrilling scrap for six rounds with Potter receiving a narrow points victory. . . .

Dave Coventry, Liverpool, 138, was an easy winner over Victor Ducros, Belgium, 133¼, the latter retiring at the end of the second. . . .

Ken Field, Hoxton, 128, was lucky to keep his unbeaten certificate when referee Benny Caplan declared at the end of an entertaining eight, with Bobby Fisher, Glasgow, 127, that the scores on his card was even, and the decision was a draw.

▸ **MERTHYR** . . . Johnny Gamble, Merthyr, 157½, defeated Bob Roberts, Ghana, 154, in the seventh when the latters seconds called the referee to their corner at the end of the round, as their man could not continue. . . . Gordon White, London, 154, caused a big upset when he stopped Johnny Furnham, Cardiff, 159½, in the second. . . . White was sent down in the first for "eight" and he successfully evaded the hard hitting Welshman of ending the bout till the end of the round. . . . As Furnham came forward in the second to obliviate his opponent, the latter nailed him with a right to the jaw and he was forced to take "eight". . . . Furnham was in dire trouble when he rose unsteadily and after being dropped for "eight", "seven" & "seven", referee Ike Powell intervened to save Furnham from further punishment. . . . Dal Harris, Merthyr, 131½, knocked out Don McCrain, Trinidad, 132, in the fourth. . . . Ken Picton, Treharris, 128, outpointed Maurice Daniels, Jamaica, 127, in six. . . . Clem Winchester, Trinidad, 155½, outpointed Gerry Maxwell, Caerphilly, 156, in six.

▸ **BELFAST** . . . Freddie Gilroy, Belfast, 117, successfully defended his British and Empire bantamweight titles when he knocked out Billy Rafferty, Glasgow, 116¾, in the twelfth. . . . By his win over Rafferty, the Irish southpaw thus became the first Irishman to win a Lonsdale Belt which carries a pension of £1-0-0 per week when he attains the age of fifty. . . . The crowd of frenzied fight fans gave off a yell of triumph when Rafferty was counted out. . . . Gilroy didn't have it all his own way. The first five rounds were fairly even and Gilroy suffered a cut left eye which seemed to revive him somewhat, for he tore into the Scot with some devastating left hooks that had Rafferty hanging on. . . . As the bout went on it was Gilroy who showed marked superiority. The game Scot, however, took everything in stride until a swooping left hook put him down in the tenth for a count with the bell coming to his aide. . . . The same thrilling pattern followed in the eleventh when the Scot just seemed to be soaking the vicious punching of the fiery Irishman. . . . It was now or never for Gilroy when the gong went for the Twelfth, and after 1 min. 5 secs. of this round, a left to the body followed by a right to the head and the gallant Scot sank to the boards where referee Ike Powell tolled "The Fatal Ten" over the fallen challenger. . . . This was the second attempt of Rafferty to wrest the titles from Gilroy. . . . He afterwards stated that this was his last fight in the ring. . . . What a tremendous attraction for Belfast if Caldwell and Gilroy could be matched for The British & Empire Titles. . . . Paddy Graham, Belfast, 145¼, regained his Northern Ireland welterweight ittle when he outpointed Al Sharpe, Belfast, 145½, in twelve. . . . Jim "Spike" McCormack, Belfast, 135¾, and Billy Kelly, Derry, 137¾, drew in eight. . . . Alex O'Neill, Belfast, 114 stopped Christy Devlin, Limerick, 116, in the third. . . . Ricky Kiernan, Glasgow, 136, stopped Billy Robinson, Belfast, 132, in the first when the latter was forced to retire at the end of the round with a badly cut eye. . . . Paddy Kelly, Derry, 128½, outpointed Jimmy Carson, Belfast, 128, in six. . . .

▸ **PRESTON** . . . George Palin, Crewe, 148, gained the upper hand over Nat Jacobs, Manchester, 150, in the last two rounds of their eight rounder to gain a points win. . . . Peter Russell, Malton & Fulham, 162, stopped Charlie Hadley, Preston, 158, in the third of a hard hitting bout. . . . Referee W. Simpson intervened after Hadley had taken several counts. . . . Del Majeke, Nigeria, 128, outpointed Nye Ankra, Preston, 129¾, in eight. . . . Billy Evans, Liverpool, 130½, and Norman Swales, Lancaster, 131, fought themselves to a standstill before Swales was sent down in the sixth and last round and rose unsteadily and the referee wisely stopped the bout in favour of Evans. . . . Joe Falcon, Leicester, 138, outpointed Dave Burland, Preston, in a thrilling

BRITISH EMPIRE RATINGS

TO APRIL 20, 1962

HEAVYWEIGHTS	CRUISERWEIGHTS	MIDDLEWEIGHTS	WELTERWEIGHTS
1. Henry Cooper (E)	Chic Calderwood (S)	Terry Downes (E)	Brian Curvis (W)
2. Robert Cleroux (C)	Johnny Halifihi (To)	Dick Tiger (N)	Wally Swift (E)
3. Joe Erskine (W)	Alan Harmon (J)	Yama Bahama (B)	Johnny Melfah (N)
4. George Chuvalo (C)	Bob Nicholson (E)	John McCormack (S)	Tony Smith (E)
5. Dick Richardson (W)	Stan Cullis (E)	Mick Leahy (E)	Jimmy McGrail (E)
6. Brian London (E)	Ron Redrup (E)	Wilf Greaves (C)	Tony Mancini (E)
7. Joe Bygraves (J)	Johnny Ould (E)	Phil Edwards (W)	Johnny Kramer (E)
8. Ray Shiel (E)	Dave Rent (E)	Gomeo Brennan (B)	Albert Carroll (E)
9. Jim Cooper (E)	Burke Emery (C)	Harry Scott (E)	Gary Cowburn (A)
10. Johnny Prescott (E)	Johnny Nomura (N.Z.)	George Aldridge (E)	Gale Kerwin (C)
LIGHTWEIGHTS	**FEATHERWEIGHTS**	**BANTAMWEIGHTS**	**FLYWEIGHTS**
1. Dave Charnley (E)	Rafiu King (N)	Johnny Caldwell (I)	Jackie Brown (S)
2. Bunny Grant (J)	Howard Winstone (W)	Freddy Gilroy (I)	Brian Cartwright (E)
3. Maurice Cullen (E)	Derry Treanor (S)	Dennis Adjie (G)	Rocky Gattelari (A)
4. George Bracken (A)	Floyd Robertson (G)	George Bowes (E)	Jackie Bruce (A)
5. Johnny Cooke (E)	Percy Lewis (T)	Terry Crimmins (W)	Jack Treshman (A)
6. Dave Coventry (E)	Love Allotey (G)	Don Weller (E)	Walter McGowan (S)
7. Johnny Kidd (S)	Terry Spinks (E)	Alex Ambrose (S)	Danny Lee (S)
7. Sammy McSpadden (S)	Billy Davis (E)	Lewis Mackay (S)	Alex O'Neil (I)
9. Eddie Beattie (C)	Wally Taylor (A)	Dai Corp (W)	Johnny Mallon (S)
10. Jimmy Gibson (S)	Johnny Morrissey (S)	Brian Bissmire (E)	Alan Gibbards (A)

LEGEND—(A) Australia; (B) Bahamas; (BG) British Guinea; (C) Canada; (E) England; (F) Fiji Islands; (G) Ghana; (IN) India; (I) Ireland; (J) Jamaica; (M) Malta; (N) Nigeria; (NZ) New Zealand; (S) Scotland; (SA) South Africa; (T) Trinidad; (TO) Tonga; (W) Wales; (BH) British Honduras.

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▸ **CARLISLE** . . . Brian Jones, Nottingham, 138, gained a clear points victory over Jimmy Gibson, Dunfermline, 137¾, in a hotly disputed eight. . . . Jimmy Blanche, Coventry, 175, outpointed Jimmy Leach, Manchester, 173, in six. . . . Ian McKenzie, Ayr, 152, looked good in outpointing Steve Gibson, South Africa, 151½, in six. . . . Mickey Kane, Glasgow, 149¼, gained a points win over Ted Woodward, Bristol, 145, in six. . . . Mick McAdam, Glasgow, 142, defeated Jackie Moran, Middlesborough, 146, when the latter was forced to retire at the end of the first with a badly cut eye. . . .

▸ **MARYLEBONE** . . . Terry Spinks, West Ham, 126¼, continued his come-back on the featherweight trail with a points win over Jean Biosca, France, 130½, in eight. . . . There was no doubt that Spinks was the winner, but his showing was mediocre, and he will have to be tested by stronger opposition to warrant another title bout with Howard Winstone. The fight of the night was the featherweight between Phil Lundgren, Bermondsey, 127, and Mick Greaves, Leicester, 127½. Lundgren gained a narrow points win after eight thrilling rounds. . . . Lenny "The Lion" Williams, Maesteg, 124¾, the 18 year old Welsh lad, again demonstrated his power of punch for one so young, by outpunching Jack Dillon, Isle Of Man, 118½, and after the latter had taken considerable punishment, the referee rightly intervened in the second and led Dillon to his corner. . . . Richard Atkins, Battersea, 136¼, outpointed Ken Whitney, Northampton, 145, in six. . . . Ronnie Russell, Hammersmith, 127½, stopped Carlton Jones, West Africa, 129, in the sixth and last round. . . . Johnny Dolphin, Antigua, 143, outpointed Teddy Gardner, Croydon, 148, in six. . . .

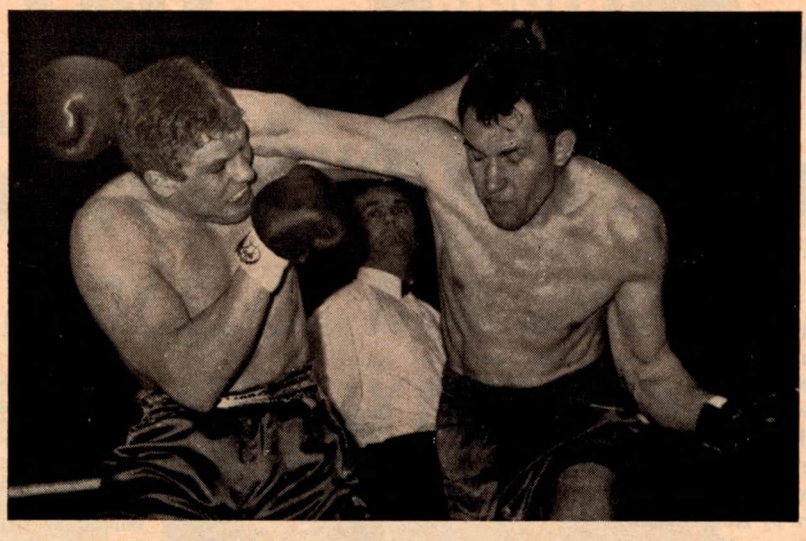
▸ **DONCASTER** . . . Peter Bates, Doncaster, 218, outpointed Bobby Moore, Ghana, 193, in eight. . . . Roy Seward, Lincoln, 174, outpointed Brian Coxhead, Preston, 171, six. . . . Jackie Bavister, Lincoln, 130, outpointed Sugar Ray Johnson, Nigeria, 133, in six. . . . Mick Cowan, Sheffield, 181, knocked out Ron Crooks, Chorley, 190, in the first. . . . Eddie Barraclough, Rotherham, 115, drew with Orizu Obilaso, Nigeria, 114¼, in eight. . . .

▸ **HALSINGBORG . . . Sweden** . . . Dennis Adjie, Ghana, now domiciled in London, was outpointed by Olli Maki, the clever Finn in eight. . . . Don Weller, Battersea, was defeated by Risto Luukkonen, former European Flyweight champion, in the third, when Weller was forced to retire with a badly cut eye. . . .

▸ **NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB . . . London . . .** Danny Lee, Port Glasgow, 112¼, scored his ninth successful victory when he defeated Ernie Butterworth, Manchester, 114, in the sixth after the referee had examined Butterworth's badly cut eye. . . . It was most unfortunate for the latter to have received the injury when their heads clashed for at the closure he held a slight lead. . . . Malcolm Worthington, Crewe, 160½, although trailing behind in his bout with Ivor Evans, Bournemouth, 162, gained a decisive win when the referee stopped the bout during the sixth to save Evans from undue punishment after he had risen from a "nine" count. . . . Mick Murphy, Ireland, 122½, stopped Frank Meany, Fulham, 122½, in the fifth. . . . Tommy Blackwell, Brixton, 131, stopped John White, Edinburgh, 127½, in the third. . . . Al Ceres, Brixton, 134¼, drew with Teddy Carter, Middlesborough, 138½, in six. . . .

▸ **MANCHESTER** . . . Gus Demmy's Free Trade Hall was packed to the doors when he staged Phil Edwards, middleweight champion of Wales, 160½, and Harry Scott, the hard hitting Liverpool middleweight 161 over ten rounds. . . . For the first half of the contest, it was the aggressive Scott who held sway until Edwards got into his stride from the sixth to score with his better all round boxing ability, to receive a popular decision from referee Harry Humphries. . . . Jackie Harwood, Bolton, 150, outpointed Maurice Lloyd, Crewe, 140, in a hard hitting eight. . . . Jim Swords, Manchester, 158, knocked out Andy Barry, Glasgow, 155½, in the second. . . . Peter Russell, Malton & Fulham, 161, coming in as a late substitute, and Johnny Gaskin, Manchester, 160, fought a thrilling battle in six with neither boxer or fighter backing up. . . . The large crowd gave both men a loud ovation when referee Harry Warner raised both their hands for a draw . . . then the ring was covered with "nobbins". . . . Mick Cowan, Sheffield, 179¾, knocked out Kevin Burke, Manchester, 176, in the fifth. . . . I was greatly impressed with the professional debut of 18 year old John Pearce, Middlesborough, 128, who stopped Paddy Winter, Belfast, 128, in the fourth. . . . Yes; John Pearce is a "Natural" if brought along with care, he will be a headliner in 1963. . . .

▸ **FINSBURY PARK** . . . Alex McMillan, Glasgow, 137½, and Viv Andreeti, Hoxton, 141, were the substitute top liner, and they put up a thrilling eight to satisfy the large crowd before McMillan was awarded a narrow points win by virtue of a strong finish in the last round. . . . Bobby Davies, West Ham, 126, defeated Roy Beaman, Brixton, 128, in the fourth of a one-sided bout when the referee intervened. . . . Beaman stated after the contest, that this was his last bout. . . . Ken Potter, Battersea, 196, beat Menzies Johnson, Jamaica, 204, in the fourth when the referee stopped the bout in favor of Potter. . . . Mick Brennan, Islington, 130, outpointed Don McCrea, Trinidad, 129½, in six. . . . Johnny Dolphin, High Wycombe, 143, stopped Ken Danahar, Bethnal Green, 143, in the fifth. . . . Teddy Gardner, Croydon, 153, stopped Mickey Flanagan, Ireland, 152½, in the fifth.



Billy Walker (left) highly touted British Amateur champion made his pro debut a success by stopping Jose Peyre of Belgium before a large crowd in Wembley Pool, London. The fight ended in the fifth round and although he won Walker showed mostly a punch. He is a big drawing card and should help perk up the British boxing beat.

▸ The news that Alec Lambert passed away will recall the days before World War I, when the 126 pound division was full of good fighters and Alec won his way to battle Ted (Kid) Lewis for The British Featherweight title on Oct. 6, 1913, losing in the 17th round.

▸ **WOLVERHAMPTON** . . . Johnny Prescott, Birmingham, 189¼, one of our young heavyweight prospects won easily on points against a strong German Southpaw, Erwin Hack, 203, in ten. . . . Prescott cut the German about the eyes in the second and the latter took all that came his way without flinching. . . . At times Prescott was puzzled by his opponents southpaw stance, but nevertheless he scored over his ponderous opposition with ease scoring the only knockdown in the third. . . . This makes Prescott's eleventh win since turning professional, nine of which were inside the distance. . . . Lennie "The Lion" Williams, Maesteg, 122¾, floored Billy Williams, Cannock, 122½, eight times before the latter called it a day in the fifth. . . . The Welsh "Southpaw" has totted up a score of 100% wins in eighteen bouts, fifteen which ended by the short route. . . . Johnny Furnham, Cardiff, 162¼, stopped Dave Wakefield, London, 162¼, in the fourth. . . . Bob Sempey, Cardiff, 140, knocked out "Darkie" Smith, Wallsall, 142, in the second. . . . Joe Leeming, Rugby, 168, stopped Graham Barnett, Lincoln, 169, in the sixth. . . . Jack Bodell, Swadlincote, 175, stopped Jimmy Leach, Preston, 174, in the third. . . .

▸ **SHOREDITCH** . . . Danny O'Brien, Kilburn, 129, stopped Freddie Dobson, Manchester, 129, in the seventh when the referee intervened after Dobson had taken two counts. . . . Vic Andreetti, Hoxton, 138, outpointed Ron Jones, West Ham, 140, in eight. . . . Freddie King, Shoreditch, 137, stopped Billy Skelly, Belfast, 135, in the second. . . . Stan Kennedy, West Ham, 130½ and Mick Brennan, Islington, 129½, drew in six. . . . Joe Somerville, Berkenhamstead, 155, outpointed Obie Haywood, Antigua, 153½, in six. . . .

▸ **MARYLEBONE** . . . When one peruses The Ring Record Book it will read that Sammy McSpadden, The London Based Scot, 136¾, outpointed Maurice Cullen, Co. Durham, 135, in ten. . . . Frankie Taylor, Lancaster, 126¼, defeated Dele Makeke, Nigeria, 127½, in the fourth when the referee intervened to save the colored lad from unnecessary punishment. . . . Ronnie Russell, Shepherds Bush, 126¼, outpointed Ray Thompson, 129, in six. Bobby Kelsey, West Ham, 137, outpointed Junior Cassidy, Nigeria, 136, in eight. . . . Richard Atkins, Eltham, 137¾, stopped Ronnie Brown, Market Harborough, 136, in the third. . . . Johnny Evans, Shepherds, 180, and Brian Daltrey, Spitalfields, 187½, fought a draw in six. . . .

▸ **WEST HAM** . . . Wally Swift, Nottingham, former British welterweight champion, 147, scored an easy points win over Ahamed Sebane, France, 143¼, in eight. . . . The Frenchman, came in an imposing ring record, but I am afraid that his showing did not warrant all that was written about him, for at no time during the contest was he able to overcome the forceful left leads that Swift kept piercing through to his face. . . . Dave Parsons, Northolt, 136½, gained a narrow points win over Byron Hollingsworth, Trinidad, 138, in eight gruelling rounds. . . . Ron Elliott, Hackney, 113¼, and Mick Taheny, West Ham, 113¼, provided the fans and the T.V. audience with thrills and comedy that had everyone in stitches through laughter. . . . Referee Ben Stichbury declared a draw after six rounds to the satisfaction of all which followed with a shower of "nobbins". . . . Jim McMillan, Wembley, 148, stopped Peter Morgan, Stepney, 146, in the fourth, and the latter was taken to the local hospital with a suspected fracture to his jaw. . . . Steve Parsons, Northolt, 119, stopped Mark Quinn, Leyton, 118¾, in the first after a clash of heads saw blood streaming from the latters eye, forcing the referee to call a halt. . . . Brian Langman, Dagenham, 161, was also a sufferer of a cut eye in his bout with Roy Burke, Jamaica, 156, but this stirred him on to fight harder and after scoring three knockdowns the referee stopped the bout in his favor in the second. . . .

▸ **BELFAST** . . . Al Sharpe, Belfast, 149½, knocked out Sean Leahy, Cork, 149, in the fifth. . . . Joe Sharpe, Belfast, 148, stopped southpaw Sammy Cowan, Belfast, 149½, in the sixth when the latter received a badly cut eye. . . . Bobby Elliott, Belfast, 135, knocked out Dick O'Brien, Belfast, 132½, in the first. . . . Mick Harvey, Dublin, 141½, knocked out Sean Robinson, Belfast, 140, in the second. . . . Harry Stanford, Belfast, 140½, stopped Benny Vaun, Belfast, 140, in the third. . . .

▸ **NATIONAL SPORTING CLUB . . . London . . .** Syd Parkinson, Wakefield, 161½, gained his twelfth win since turning professional, when he outpointed Malcolm Worthington, Crewe, 161, in eight. . . . The Crewe middleweight could not cope with the southpaw stance of Parkinson. . . . Peter Heath, Coventry, 135⅜, outpointed Dave Parsons, Northolt, 136, in eight. . . . Jim McMillan, Peckham, 150, stopped Nick Coutsousdis, Bournemouth in the second. . . . Ray Thompson, Dagenham, 129¾, outpointed Mick Marsh, Bath, 128, in six. . . . Al Keen, Islington & Scotland, outpointed Mick Marsh, Bath, 128, in six. . . . Al Keen, Islington & Scotland, 141½, stopped Stan Bishop, Kidderminster, 141, in the fourth. . . .

▸ **LIVERPOOL** . . . Johnny Cooke, Bootle, got up from a "nine" count in the second round to gain a clear points win over Guy Gracia, France in ten. . . . Tony Smith, Bootle, gained The Central Area welterweight title, when he outpointed Jimmy McGrail, Liverpool, in twelve. . . . Frankie Taylor, Lancaster, stopped Frank Morgan, Liverpool, in the fourth of a featherweight bout. . . .

▸ **STOCKHOLM** . . . Ron Redrup, Southpaw Cruiserweight from West Ham, was outpointed by Lennart Risberg, Sweden, in ten. . . .

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IN SUNNY CALIFORNIA

HERMAN DUNCAN RATED AGAIN

Herman Duncan, 127, scored a six round kayo over Javier (Sugar) Zatarain, 126, Mexico, at the Olympic Auditorium. It was slated for ten.

To make victory certain, Duncan won every round—angels could no no more. As a result he has once again joined the rated men by Ring Magazine.

It was Herman's second straight kayo, and it would seem that better and bigger fights will come his way.

By BILL MILLER

In the six-round semi, Chango Magallanes, 113, dec. Mel Maemora, 113. The five-rounders: Gino Herandez, 129, drew with Felipe Larazolla, 128; and Tony Valenti, 157, KO (1) over Tommy Hutchins, 159.

▸ It was Bakersfield night—and before I forget, it was more than fifty years ago that this hustling town was very much in the public eye as a boxing center. Why, back in 1909 two of the best lightweights in the game fought there: Aurelio Herrera and "Fighting Dick" Hyland!

(How do I remember? Well, just a few days I was shooting the breeze with an old timer named John Leo McKernan, better known as Jack Kearns: he reminded me. But let's get back to Bakersfield:)

Four Bakersfield battlers made their fellow townsmen happy as follows:

Tony Noriega, 141, Bakersfield decisioned Javellane Kid (Tony Niosa) 142½, Philippines, 10 rounds.

Billy Wagoner, 144, Bakersfield, dec. Richard Smith, 140, Los Angeles, 6 rds.

Gary Chapman, 150, Bakersfield, KO (1) over Charlie Dickenson, El Centro, 154.

Al Azevedo, 151, Bakersfield, KO (1) over Jimmy Lawson, Santa Ana, 150 lbs.

Jose Zapata, 161, Los Angeles, dec. Tony Forte, 160, Los Angeles.

On hand, about 1,000; gate receipts, $2,500.

▸ It's always sad to write an obituary, particularly when the man you're writing about was only 37 years old.

Bob Panell, sports editor of the Hollywood Citizen News for ten years, died of leukemia at UCLA Medical Center. In addition to his chores as sports ed., for more than seven years he was writer for Tom Harmon's radio shows on CBS. Bob was a fine fellow, a fight fan. We'll miss him.

▸ Melvin Durslag, featured columnist of the Herald-Examiner, was selected "Sportswriter of the Year" in California—his umpteenth award for excellence. Back in 1960, Mel was chosen by National Headlines as the year's outstanding sportswriter.

The announcement was very gratifying to all of Durslag's many friends.

Busy as he always is, Mel took time out to come to my home recently, convalescing from a stroke. (With a package of prime Scotch, yet!) God bless him!

▸ Remember the name—Keeny Teran? Ten years ago he was a red-hot favorite with Los Angeles fight fans; recognized as American flyweight champion. Then tragedy struck. He was convicted of violation of the narcotics act.

Out on parole, working as a clerk in a lawyer's office, Keeny was snatched for possession of heroin. In a trial before Superior Judge Frederick W. Mahl, Jr., the jury was unable to agree. It stood 9-3 for acquittal, and it seems that a new trial is in order.

Teran claims that the heroin equipment found in his apartment belonged to someone else.

▸ **SAN FRANCISCO:** Mike Gallo, 119, newest local pride made quick work of "Indian" Willie Kee, 119, Reno, in the feature of a triple main event. Mike polished off his foe in 2:52 of the opening round. Hal Derouen, 158, scored a pair of knockdowns on route to a easy win over Frank Niblett, 159, San Jose in a fast action ten rounder. Frank had kayoed Hal a month ago.

Hurricane Kid (John Bird) 151, made a clean sweep for the localite as he floored game but outclassed Andres Herrera, 151, six times before stopping him in the eighth round. Herrera was a last minute substitute and showed nothing but heart. The gate was $3,001.00.

Javier (Sugar) Zatarain, young Mexican puncher, looked good in his California debut although he was stopped by Herman Duncan in the sixth round. Duncan among the top featherweights in the world had too much experience for the twenty year old visitor from "South of the Border."

▸ **SAN FRANCISCO:** Hard hitting Roger Rischer, 194½, Oakland, finally caught up with veteran Howard King, 198, Fresno and stopped him in 1:28 of the twelfth and final round to retain his state Heavyweight title.

It was a big win for Roger, who in four previous fights with King, had been stopped twice, lost a decision and fought to a draw. This time there was little doubt as to who was the better man. The fight was hard fought, at a brisk pace for heavyweights with Rischer taking over after the sixth round.

Hilario Morales, 149, Mexico, caused somewhat of a surprise as he battered his way to a TKO over Bobby Sanders, 148½, San Francisco, in 1:27 of the eighth round. Bobby, returning to action after a layoff could not get untracked and took a sound drubbing.

Kirk Barrow, 180, San Francisco, bounced off the deck in the second round to hand Willie Bell, 180, Los Angeles, a good leathering from there on to win easily in the opening ten rounder. The gate was $5,532.75.

▸ **SANTA ROSA:** Marcelo Vargas, 143, Durango, Mexico made an impressive California debut whipping Kid Rayo, 149, Nicaragua, in the ten round main event.

In the semi-final Dave Camacho, 140, San Jose edged out Larry Mitchell, 138, San Francisco, 6. In other bouts, Charley Robinson, 133, San Francisco won from Leroy Maxie, 133, Fresno, 6, and Dick Allen, 178, Oakland and George Thomas, 164, San Francisco, 4.

▸ **SACRAMENTO:** Veteran Paul Andrews, 206, Los Angeles had too much ring savy fo rBill McMurray, 203, Sacramento, and fought his way to the ten round verdict in the main bout. The only knockdown came at the final bell when a right to the body decked McMurray.

The semi-final saw localite Johnny Gordon, 172, win easily over Andy Charleston, 172, San Francisco, over eight rounds. In the four round opener Frank Souza, 138, won over Artie Cox, 136, in a battle of localities. The Capitol City Boxing Club show grossed $2,468.79.

▸ **FRESNO:** Gabe Terronez, 145, Fresno, stopped Marcelino Vargas, 143, San Antonio, Texas, when Vargas failed to answer the bell for the eighth round.

In sixes; Joe Byron, 177¾, San Francisco, defeated Perry Hicks, 173, Fresno and Moses Cooper, 154, Stockton, won over Dorsey Williams, .153, San Francisco. In the opener Leon Linscomb, 148½, San Francisco, outpointed Mundo Vera, 142, Orange Grove.

▸ **LOS ANGELES:** The story of the Archie Moore-Alejandro Lavorante fight can be found elsewhere in this issue. In the prelimins, stiff punching Wayne Heath, 208, Oklahoma City, Okla., stopped Danny Garcia, 192, Oakland, in the fourth; Andres Muela, 185, Sonora, Mexico, finished off Ernie Ford, 184½, Los Angeles, in the first; Eddie Foster, 202, Los Angeles, defeated Hugh Davey, 186½, Hollywood, 5, and Aaron Peralta, 165, Santa Ana, defeated Ray White, 169, Anaheim.

▸ The dove of peace has disappeared: things are back to normal again. I mean that Aileen Eaton, of the Olympic Auditorium, has her red-haired temper unleashed.

Seems that Promoter John Horn, associated with Joe Louis in local promotions, got Eileen's ire aroused by a statement he made that "the U.W.E. hopes to finally bring big time boxing to L.A."

That's all he said, but lookit Eileen's counterpunch:

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O.K., Aileen. Yours received and contents noted.

▸ Insult added to injury:

The day after he was stopped by Archie Moore, tall Alejandro Lavorante walked into a doughnut shop across the street from his hotel, and one of the customers called out to him, called him "a big bluff" in Spanish. Lavo merely placed his right hand atop the gents head and brushed him off.

No damage; nobody was pinched.

ARK-LA-TEX JABS

By Bill McIntyre

THE SOUTHERN AAU Boxing Championships, held at New Orleans, produced two titleholders from Shreveport. Lightweight Hurshiell Stegall copped the 132-pound championship with a points win over George Murla of New Orleans; Light Welterweight JoJo Garza backed into the 137-pound title with a forfeited finals.

Garza drew a default from Shreveport YMCA teammate Sugar Mathis in the title match.

Other Southern AAU champions crowned at New Orleans—Heavyweight Myrt Tugwell of Baton Rouge, who stopped Al Bertaut, New Orleans, in the second round of the finals; Light Heavyweight Gene Romero, Lafayette; Middleweight Wayne Flemming, Fort Polk; Light Middleweight Phillip Daley, Lake Charles; Welterweight Martin Cross, New Orleans; Featherweight Terry Molina, New Orleans; Bantamweight Gerry Lott, New Orleans; and Flyweight Charles Hoban, New Orleans.

SOUTHERN OHIO JABS

By J. Jimmie Amann

The biggest local news in boxing is the excellent program director Roland Schwartz of Cincinnati offered for the National AAU Boxing tourney which was held at the Cincinnati Gardens the last three afternoons and nights of March.

Five Cincinnati fighters emerged as champions, but the outstanding in our thoughts was George Foster the 132 pound blaster who waded through all opposition in a walk. Those who have been close to Foster throughout his amateur career say that he is more capable than most of the professional junior lightweights with a couple of pro years of experience behind them.

Foster has been approached by many professional managers we are told, but he would personally like to fight for a local manager, of which there is none. So at the moment, even though he is a terrific prospect as was Ezzard Charles when Ezz deserted the simon pires, his future in pro is a question mark.

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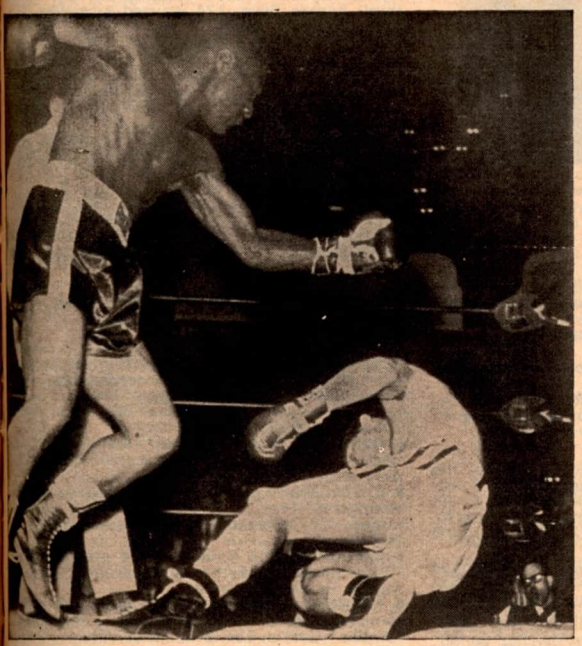

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IN LATIN AMERICA

ORTIZ NEW PANAMA CHAMPION

BOXING IN PANAMA

By Juan W. Copland

ARENA COLON . . . Rodolfo (Tito) Marshall, 134¾, retained his National lightweight title with a unanimous 12 round decision over Stanley Wilson, 133½. Wilson started fast but Tito took over in the sixth and won easily.

In the semi-final Roberto Truco, 123, halted Salvador Molina, 120, in 2:15 of the second round. In other bouts: Justiniano Aguilar, 125, stopped Alberto Meyers, 125, in 1:32 of the third and Andres Allen, 130, kayoed David Wright, 125, in 2:50 of the opening round.

The Manhattan Kid (Pedro Ortiz) fast rising 21-year-old puncher became the National featherweight champion when he fought his way to a unanimous 12 round decision over Jesus Santamaria. Ortiz, who previously held the National flyweight title scaled 122½, Santamaria, 126. The winner floored his man in the fifth round.

The semi-final was a real slam-banger in which Roberto Del Cid, 124, and Roberto Murrillo, 126¾, fought to a ten round draw. In other bouts; Esteban Santamaria, 137½, gained the nod over Carlos Ortiz, 142, in six rounds and Andres Allen, 129¾, kayoed Thomas Wilson, in 1:15 of the third round.

PANAMA NATIONAL GYM, PANAMA CITY . . . Ernesto Barrera, 111¼, Mexico, made his local debut a winning one as he gained a unanimous ten round verdict over Manuel Moreno, 107½. Moreno was down in the second round for an eight count.

In the semi-final, Beresford Francis, 127, won the decision over Julio Ruiz, 126, in a spirited ten rounder. In the opening bout Clyde Thomas, 136, stopped Benito Lasso, 138¼, in the third round. Coming back a week later Barrera, 112, lost a split ten round decision to Pedro Carvajal in a rough tough fight. Pedro scaled 108.

In the semi-final Kid Munoz, 119, gained the unanimous nod over Marcos Layne, 120¼, 6 and Esteban Quiroz, 109¾ took a split verdict over Ernesto Pindar, 103½, 4.

DAVID CHIRIQUI . . . Top Cuban welterweight Pedro Miranda, 150½, pounded out a two round kayo over Gil Gonzalez, 149½, in the featured bout. The rest of the card was made up of amateur fights.

Top Jamaican flyweight Killer Solomon, who has been making his home in Panama for the past few years had two fights last month in Cartagena, Colombia, where he fought a ten round draw with Bernardo Caraballo and stopped Alfonso Valiente, 8.

LA LAGUNA AND THE MEXICAN PROVINCES

By Miguel Ramirez Aznar

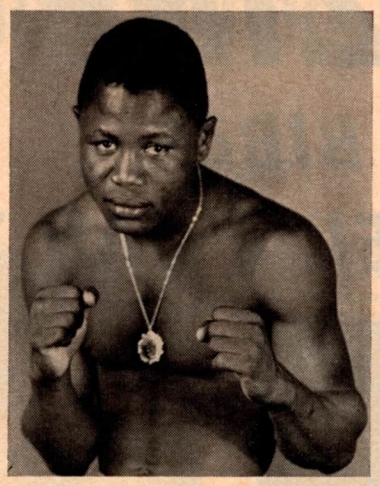
AS USUAL, THE DIPP BROTHERS STAGED two boxing shows during the month. It seems that these promoters are working now under the twice-a-month basis and this is not good for local boxing. Emile Dipp, one of the many Dipp Bros., has a fighters' stable and he is always traveling out with his boys, leaving all the promotion to the oldest Dipp, "Prince" Gilbert, who also manages a jewelry shop.

THE MOST IMPORTANT EVENT for this writer was to get the 1962 edition of Nat Fleischer's Big Book. The Book is better than ever. It has listed all the records of Mexican fighters in action. And, of course, all the data on La Laguna fighters, promoters, managers and more facts, facts and facts. The Big Book which every one should buy, is in fact, a Book of Facts.

Olimpica of Gomez Palacio:- "Prince" Gilbert Dipp promoted a popular show, giving a chance to newcomers, and the result was a rugged fight night. In the 10-round main event, Agustin Contreras, 126, stopped classy Eusebio "Chebo" Salazar, 125, in the ninth. Keep an eye on this Contreras kid. He certainly can punch. Skinny Cecilio "Chilo" Vargas, 132, from Lerdo City, surprised everybody when he easily kayoed best seasoned Guillermo "Memin" Rangel, 133, in seven heats.

Gonzalo Rubio, 134, and Catalo Hernandez, 133, drew after eight well fought rounds. Antonio Gallegos, 125, a fine prospect, kayoed Juan Jasso, 127, in the second round. Salvador Chong, 116, drew with Manuel Flores, 116, in the 4-round preliminary bout.

Carlos "Calucas" Rios, 138, a product of La Laguna railways, gave a fine account of himself when he kayoed strong milkman Hilario España, 133, Mexico City, It was a rugged fight with Carlos Rios handling the situation the way he pleased.



Bunny Grant, Jamaican light and welterweight champion. Grant is rated one of the top 140 pounders to come out of the Caribbean since Pedro Montanez.

In the scheduled 10-round semi-final, another local prospect Humberto "Beto" Martinez, 132, demolished Panchito Garcia, 132, Juarez, in two rounds.

Rest of the card: Martin Palomares "Durango Kid," 142, kayoed Miguel Perez, 143, in the sixth. Enrique Marin, 140, drew with Rodolfo Escobedo, 139, in six rounds. Manuel Flores, 114, kayoed Mario Rebollar, 111, in the third heat.

THE PROVINCES.

CULIACAN:- Delfino "Fino" Rosales, 126, the best feather around the Mexican Pacific Coast, scored a clean 3-round knockout over Efrain Lopez, 125, Nicaragua, C.A. "Chamaco" Castillo, 121, whipped Gustavo Rocha, 122, in the 10-round semi-final.

TEPIC:- "Huracan" Hernandez, 128, stopped Humberto Ocegueda, 127, Mazatlan, in the sixth round. Cele Chavez, 123, put to sleep Joe Hernandez, 124, in the very first round.

PUEBLA:- Jorge Schaffini, 135, kayoed Ray Hernandez, 134, in the second round. Schaffini could be the next idol of Puebla.

MONTEREY:- Gene Gresham, 135, Michigan, easily handled "Pollo" Gabiño, 133, to get a unanimous ten round decision. Edgard Boyd, 180, also from Michigan, kayoed Hipolito Hernandez, 190, in four.

GUADALAJARA:- Efren "Alacran" Torres, 113, scored the 10-round decision over Luis Mendez, 114. "Chocolate" Zambrano, 119, kayoed Lorenzo Ortega, 118, in the second.

ACAPULCO:- The Guerrero State has a new lightweight champion. Fidencio Ramirez, 134, challenger, whipped champ Nicolas Sanchez, 132, over twelve rounds to get the decision and, the local title. "Pollero" Garcia, 126, kayoed Jose Elizarraga, 127, in the sixth of the 10-round semi-final bout.

FRESNILLO:- Gildo "Paton" Montoya, 144, Guadalajara, beat veteran Salvador Vera, 140, in ten rounds. Jose Cruz, 160, kayoed "Ciclon" Reyes, 159, in the very first round. "Pachuco" Juarez, 127, stopped Panchito Figueroa, 124, in five rounds.

NUEVO LAREDO:- Julio Zuñiga, 126, Monterrey, put to sleep veteran Luis "Queretaro" Trejo, 128, Mexico City, in the ninth round. Jose de la Cerda, 132, and Alejandro Neri, 131, fought a 10-round draw.

OAXACA:- Raul Vega, 118, kayoed "Oaxaco" Garcia, 119, in four rounds. "Chino" Mora, 128, Mexico City, halted "Cuate" Santamaria, 130, in the fifth. Ray Garcia, 125, stopped "Negro" Vela, 126, in the third round.

CULIACAN:- Jose Luis "Chino" Lopez, 126, whipped Manny Yamashiro, 125, over the 10-round route. He got the unanimous duke. Jose Rivera "Kid Tala," 127, bested Gilberto Uriarte, 126, in other tenner.

TEPIC:- Mazatlan fighters versus Nayarit boys. Aurelio Castañeda, 126, Mazatlan, beat Luis Palafox, 127, Tepic, in ten rounds. Jose Mejia, 125, Mazatlan, defeated Cele Chavez, 124, Tepic, in eight heats. Amador Arvizu, 123, Mazatlan, kayoed Jesus "Chuy" Verdin, 122, Tepic, in the third round.

JUAREZ:- Luis "Chamaco" Hernandez, 126, Durango, decisioned Luis "Mañanitas" Sanchez, 129, Juarez, in 10. Margarito "Tacuba" Uribe, 125, whipped newcomer Rogelio Fernandez, 125, Durango, in other ten. Fabian Esquivel, 115, kayoed Ignacio "TunTun" Torrres, 117, Durango, in the seventh. It was a tournament between Juarez and Durango fighters.

PUEBLA:- Fatso veteran Filiberto "Fili" Nava, 136, was too clever and hit too hard for rugged Tony Sanchez, 133. Fancy dancer Fili, scored an easy ten round triumph. In the scheduled 10-round semi-final, Jesus "Chuco" Romero, 129, kayoed Pancho Bonilla, 130, in seven.

TAMPICO:- "Pajaro" Gonzalez, 120, Reynosa, upset and kayoed local idol Raul Barcelo, 118, in the seventh. The result was a surprise.

QUERETARO:- Anselmo Hernandez, 125, Guadalajara, kayoed "Rabano" Bonzalez, 124, in the third. Andres Silva, 124, kayoed Luis Villa, 125, Guadalajara, in four.

GUADALAJARA:- Mario Diaz, 126, the best feather in Jalisco State, scored his most valuable triumph when he easily outpointed Cuban "Chico" Veliz, 125, in ten fast rounds. Antonio "Babe" Reyes, 133, kayoed Jorge Rosales, 135, in the second.

MONTEREY:- Felix "Chuchu" Gutierrez, 126, Cuba, kayoed veteran Joey Reyes, 127, Chihuahua, in the fifth. Guillermo "Memo" Ruiz, 130, and Juan Perales, 129, drew in 10.

FRESNILLO:- "Dinamita" Rojas, 130, Zacatecas, beat Battling Kid, 129, Aguascalientes, in ten. "Pachuco" Juarez, 129, whipped Joe Macias, 130, Aguascalientes, also in ten. Felix Montoya, 135, kayoed Antonio Ibarra, 137, in four.

ACAPULCO:- Vicente Garcia, 114, Jalisco, kayoed Babe Lopez, 113, local southpaw, in the fifth. Leo Avila, 117, and Moi Aguirre, 118, drew in eight.

NUEVO LAREDO:- Henry Macias, 125, kayoed "Chamaco" Alvarez, 124, in the fourth. Jose Moreno, 123, bested Juan Hernandez, 121, in ten.

MANZANILLO:- Ismael Cortes, 148, won by disqualification over Sam Jordan, 147, in the eighth. A butt was the cause.

OAXACA:- Vicente "Pichon" Ramirez, 130, La Laguna, and Marcos Camacho, 129, Mexico City, drew in ten bloody rounds.

CULIACAN:- Beto Gerardo, 145, kayoed "Chico" Rodriguez, 141, in the fifth. Jesus "Chucho" Lopez, 128, stopped "Perro" Reyes, 130, in the third.

MEXICALI:- The Sinaloa State proud, Antonio "Tony" Perez, 136, easily decisioned local boy Andres Garcia, 134, in ten.

REYNOSA:- Jesus "Chuy" Pruneda, 118, kayoed Panchito Saldivar, 117, Monterrey, in the seventh. "Ardilla" Garcia, 131, beat Jesus "Chuco" Garcia, 131, in ten.

QUERETARO:- Rosendo del Castillo "Kid Wama," 145, outpointed Luis Zuñiga, 140, in ten. Jorge Solis, 121, kayoed Francisco Granados, 120.

ACAPULCO:- "Zorrito" Castañon, 121, kayoed Roberto SanMartin, 120, in the sixth. Lorenzo Cruz, 113, bested "Aztequita Morelense," 115, in the 8-round semi-final.

QUADALAJARA:- "Chocolate" Zambrano, 122, whipped Julio Moreno, 120, in ten. Juan Lopez, 132, kayoed Pablo Mireles, 131, in ten.

NUEVO LAREDO:- Monterrey glamour boy Ruben Rivera, 137, kayoed Rodolfo Santamaria, 136, in the eighth. Juan Manuel Treviño, 130, iced Ignacio Rivas, 129, in the second.

MONTERREY:- Panchito Granados, 132, Mexico City, outscored local newcomer Jose Yermen, 133, in ten. Elias "Sordomudo" Olivo, 113, the little deafmute bang-bang musquitoe, kayoed Jesus Rocha, 110, in the second round.

MAZATLAN:- Moi Torres, 122, Guadalajara, scored a clean cut 10-rouno decision over hard hitter Angel Ley, 125, Mexico City.

CULIACAN:- Jose Rivera, 125, decisioned Jose Luis "Chino" Lopez, 126, in ten, Gustavo Rocha, 118, defeated Jorge Ortiz, 120, in other tenner.

MONCLOVA:- David Cervantes, 146, kayoed Manuel Ochoa, 142, in the seventh.

REYNOSA:- Gabriel "Gaby" Beltran, 115, Mexico City, kayoed Chaparro DeLeon, 116, in eight rounds. "Sonrisas" Avila, 120, kayoed "Cachorro" Mendoza, 119, in the fourth. Here you have a couple of nicknames with plenty of ring pep: "Sonrisas" means "Smiles" and "Cachorro" is "Puppy" in English.

MATAMOROS:- Former National Featherweight Champion, strong baker boy Juanito Ramirez, 126, kayoed Agustin Barron, 127, in the sixth round. Juanito is still in line to recover his title from Lalo Guerrero, the Champion.

In the scheduled 10-round semifinal, another pupil of Adolfo "Negro" Perez, classy Vicente Saldivar, 126, put to sleep Jorge Salazar, 124, Puebla, in the sixth.

JUCHITAN:- Rolando "Ventarron" Mendoza, 135, kayoed Valentin Rangel, 134, Mexico City, in the eighth round.

▸ **ACAPULCO:-** The Guerrero State has a new feather champ. Roberto "Charrito" Gomez, 124, kayoed champion Lauro Garcia, 125, in the fifth round and he got the crown. Polo Cortes, 124, bested Raul Arredondo, 125, in the 8-round semi-final.

▸ **MONTERREY:-** Vicente Garcia, 117, Guadalajara flyweight, kayoed "Pajaro" Gonzalez, 120, Reynosa, in the sixth. Hugo Guajardo, 135, kayoed Isaac Sifuentes, 136, in the second round. This Guajardo strong boy is the young brother of Rene "Copetes" Guajardo, the star wrestler of Monterrey section.

▸ **SALTILLO:-** Manuel Favela, 138, Lerdo, scored a unanimous 10-round decision over Al Rangel, 137, Texas willing mixer.

▸ **GUADALAJARA:-** Jorge Ceja, 126, clever as always, easily outscored veteran Rudy Coronado, 124, in ten. Magdaleno "Leno" Villarreal, 135, whipped Antonio "Babe" Reyes, 136, in 10.

▸ **OAXACA:-** Efren "Chamaco" Jimenez, 125, went ahead on his triumphal route when he kayoed tough Manuel Esparza, 127, in the third. "Toro" Martinez, 121, kayoed Lorenzo Roa, 122, in the first heat.

▸ **NUEVO LAREDO:-** Rigo Guadarrama "Queretaro Kid", 126, beat "Gallito" Gonzalez, 125, in ten. Jose de la Cerda, 130, put to sleep Benito Vazquez, 129, in the ninth.

▸ **JUAREZ:-** Clever Durango southpaw, Jorge "Zurdo" Salazar, 118, surprised when he kayoed Felix "Chuchu" Gutierrez, 117, Cuba, in the ninth. Margarito "Tacuba" Uribe, 126, stopped Panchito Garcia, 130, in the first. Fabian Esquivel, 116, halted Duranguito Kid, 120, in the seventh. It was a real Kayo Nite.

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RIGHT FROM MEXICO CITY
By Selsso Tiborro

Alvaro Gutierrez, 145, national welter champion, only needed three rounds to stop Rodolfo Chivo Diaz, 144, challenger, in twelve rounds for the title. Toluco II, 126, outpointed Alberto Soto, 125, in 10. Jose Valenzuela, 125, outpointed Jorge Diaz, 124, in 6. Raymundo Bolaños, 147, knocked out Elias Valencia, 145, in 1. Felix Hernandez, 118, decisioned Joaquin Alfaro, 118, in 4.

▸ Victorio Guzman, 135, kayoed Max Huerta, 134, in 7. Abel Hurtado, 125, outpointed Martin Moncada, 126, in 8. Panchito Espinosa, 125, decisioned Rene Medina, 126, in 6. Armando Maldonado, 114, stopped Dimas Colin, 112, in 4. Miguel Gonzalez, 126, decisioned Placido Rodriguez, 128, in 4.

▸ The best four Mexican bantams entered an elimination tournament to find a challenger for the championship which is in Joe Medel's hands. In the first bout, Edmundo Esparza, 118, Juarez, Chihuahua, stopped Memo Tellez, 117, Mexico City, in 4. Genaro Gonzalez, 124, decisioned Chucho Saucedo, 123, in 10. Aurelio Hernandez, 118, outpointed Jose Melquiades, 117, in 6. Al Soria, 126, outpointed Luis Espinosa, 125, in 6. Julio Dominguez, 112, decisioned Porfirio Morales, 112, in 4.

▸ Raton Mojica, 112, Nicaragua, decisioned Mauro Miranda, 111, in 10. Enrique Garcia, 118, outpointed Agustin Molina, 118, in 8. Raul Mendoza, 134, decisioned Pelon Esparza, 134, in 6. Florencio Arau, 126, kayoed Teo Roman, 126, in 3. Miguel Rodriguez, 124, decisioned Guillermo Vega, 124, in 4.

▸ Carlos Hernandez, 118, Tampico, Tamaulipas, clearly outpointed Cuervo Salinas, 117, Mexico City, in 10. This was the second bout to find a challenger to meet Joe Medel for the title. Hernandez is scheduled to fight Esparza the latter part of April of this year. The winner will exchange blows with Medel for the belt. Jaime Perez, 112, stopped Jose Luis Mendez, 112, in 7. Gallito Perez, 112, decisioned Mario Garcia, 112, in 6. Jeronimo Plata, 135, outpointed Nicolas Ruiz, 134, in 6. Mauro Galvan, 135, decisioned Raul Rodriguez, 133, in 4.

▸ Hermelindo Mondragon, 126, outpointed Toluco II, 125, in 10. Beni Rodriguez, 136, outpointed Venancio Hernandez, 135, in 8. Tribilin Duarte, 125, stopped Fernando Sotelo, 124, in 4. Salvador Camargo, 118, decisioned Merced Soria, 117, in 6. Andres Molina, 112, knocked out Tomas Neri, 111, in the fourth and last round.

▸ Cuban Baby Luis, 119, stopped Miguel Paredes, 119, in 2. Arturo Macias, 149, knocked out Negro Flores, 147, in 3. Miguel Castro, 118, stopped Gustavo Martinez, 117, in 1. Hipolito Hernandez, 126, outpointed Al Soria, 125, in 6. Javier Reyes, 125, decisioned Miguel Gonzalez, 124, in 4.

▸ Indio Fernandez, 127, decisioned Neto Villarreal, 124, in 10. Nacho Dominguez, 125, outpointed David Gomez, 125, in 8. Luis Pacheco, 144, stopped Carlos Cerda, 145, in 1. Romualdo Tejeda, 112, won the decision over Chucho Garcia, 113, by disqualification in 5. Humberto Valencia, 112, outpointed Boni Diaz, 114, in 4.

▸ Veteran Kid Anahuac, 132, outpointed not without some trouble, Enrique Camarena, 135, in the ten-round star bout. Antonio Paniagua, 116, decisioned Ismael Gutierrez, 115, in 10, after dropping his opponent three times during the fight. Aurelio Hernandez, 119, stopped Chino Mora, 118, in 4. Pablito Martinez, 111, decisioned Samuel Castillo, 114, in 6. Raul Rodriguez, 135, outpointed Beto Avila, 132, in 4. Address the writer: Hudson 28-11, Mexico 5, D. F., Mexico.

BOXING IN YUCATAN
By Eduardo Amer G.

MERIDA, YUC: Luis Quijano, 128, got a draw in 8 rounds with Pantera Reyes, 127, from Veracruz. Pastor Medina, 114, won by a disqualification over Gil Martinez, 114, in 3.

Baby Mendicuti, 112, had too much class for Relámpago Kid (Luis Medina), 112, and beat him in 6. Baby Luis, 112, tko'd Chueco Ortiz, 112, in the opening heat. Pepe el Toro II, 109, stopped Mario "Baby" Valdez, 109, in the fourth and Kid Camaron, 122, decisioned Thompson Cruz, 122, in 4.

▸ **MERIDA, YUC:** Luis Quijano, 128, scored a points win at the expense of Roberto "Cucaracho" Landa, 132, in 8 rounds. Baby Boy, 113, clearly outpointed Juan Peralta, 113, in 6.

Rafael "Pico" Solis, 147, won a close decision over Benjamin Ricalde, 142, in six. Aparecido Chessman (Francisco Navarrete), 119, got the duke over Kid Arjona, 120, after 4 while Diablo Perez, 124, iced Kid Camaron, 122, in two.

▸ **MERIDA, YUC:** Joe "Chino" Celis, 128, took the measure of Pantera Reyes, 128, in 8. Pastor Medina, 116, gained a narrow points decision over Baby Albornoz, 117, after 6 rounds.

Baby Mendicuti, 113, a fast rising flyweight, outclasses Raton Pacheco, 13, in 6. Baby Luis, 112, scored a 2nd round TKO over Baby Betman, 113, and Zurdo Molinares, 124, whipped Baby Jimenez, 122, in 4.

MERIDA, YUC: Jose "Negrito" Dominguez, 119, lost on points to Ariel Rios, 119, in 8. Hard-punching Joe Berzunza, 133, needed only one round to stop Salve Ortiz, 130. Baby Boy, 113, outpunched Gil Martinez, 114, in 6.

Luis Trujeque, 124, stopped Aparecido Chessman (Francisco Navarrete), 119, in the second. Mario "Baby" Valdez, 109, halted Pepe el Toro II, 109, in three.

▸ **TENOSIQUE, TAB**—Kid Jalpita, 121, won over Ariel Rios, 118, in 10 rounds.

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BOXING IN BRAZIL
By Renato Pires and Ivã Cipriano

RIO DE JANEIRO—In televised fight, Jorge Sacoma, welterweight from Sao Paulo T.K.O. Omar Peppi, from Argentina in the 6th round, after two downs.

T.V. Auditorium—Rio de Janeiro—In a televised fight the Brazilian welterweight champion Fernando Barreto kayoed Jorge Andina, from Uruguay, in the 6th round.

T.V. Auditorium—Rio De Janeiro—In a televised fight, the Mexican middleweight Roberto Rocha Peña (Bob Peña) won disqualification Francisco de Oliveira "Chicao", from Sao Paulo, at 8th round.

BOXING IN SANTO DOMINGO
By Tony Batista

Coliseo Libertad

In the boxing show presented by promoter Ulises Frias, Carlos T. Cruz, 126, Santo Domingo, won a unanimous decision over Rafael Acevedo, Santo Domingo, 126, in a 12-round bout for the Dominican featherweight championship in a thrilling and bloody contest.

A crowd estimated in about 1,573 saw Cruz, the challenger, who recently came from Puerto Rico, win a wide decision over the former champion.

Although Cruz showed superiority over his rival during the entire contest, his best round was the eighth when with a terrific right to the jaw he sent Acevedo to the canvas but Acevedo grasped the first rope avoiding the fall.

The new champion was bleeding from the seven round on when he received a cut on his left eye.

The crowd invaded the ring after the ending cheering the new Dominican featherweight champion.

In other contests on the same card Lachi Linares, 112, Santo Domingo and Crecencio Fernández, 112, Santiago, fought a draw in the semi-final six rounder; Natalio Jiménez, 112, Santo Domingo, scored a TKO over Victor Guzmán (La Diabla), same weight, from Santiago, in the second. Opening the show, Francisco Carrión, 126, Santo Domingo, and Alejandro Minaya, 126, Santiago, drew in four rounds.

▸ In the ten round main event Miguel Matos, 140, Santiago, scored a TKO over Baby Ambrosio, 140, Curazao, in the eighth.

Ambrosio made his debut in this country but his style and way of boxing was not liked by the fans.

In other bouts: Marcelo Mcdonald, 118, Santo Domingo, TKO'd Pablo Ureña, 118, Santo Domingo, second round; Adolfo Marte, 132, Santo Domingo, decisioned four rounds over Rafael Pérez, 132, Santo Domingo; Félix Fernández, 118, Santo Domingo, decisioned Reynaldo Montilla, 118, Santo Domingo, 4 rounds and Fremio Jiménez, 112, Santo Domingo, TKO'd Lucas Rosario, 112, Santo Domingo, 3 rounds.

The nineteen years old Dominican lightweight champion, Hector Chino Diaz, Santo Domingo, defeated Adolfo Olguin, 131, lightweight champion from Hidalgo State, Mexico, in their ten round clash.

The bout was a poor showing in which frequent clinches were at the order. The best blow, arose in the seventh round and was the best Mexican contribution to the fight.

In the semi-final eight rounder Nat Jiménez, 112, Santo Domingo, outpointed Luis Ernesto, 114, San Pedro de Macoris, in the most exciting and moving fight so far this season.

Nat Jiménez, who is considered the next flyweight champion of the Republic (now vacated) exhibited a wonderful showing.

IN THE PRELIMINARIES: Félix Fernández, 120, Santo Domingo, outboxed Euclides Féliz, 120, Santo Domingo in four.

Francisco Carrión, 126, Santo Domingo, and Aridio Ureña, 126, La Vega, went to a draw in their four round contest.

Herminio Cerda, 112, Santiago, outpointed Victor Pascual, 112, Santo Domingo in four.

BOXING IN PUERTO RICO
By Mario Riviera

Sixto Escobar Stadium—Boxing returned to the stadium and before a small gathering, Daniel Berrios, 135, scored an unpopular ten round decision over Hilton Smith, 131, Miami. Berrios seemed below his usual form displaying little aggressiveness. In a twelve round bout Pete Martin Jr. was proclaimed bantamweight champion of Puerto Rico when he outpointed Cano Marrero. Neither boy had ever travelled beyond the eight round distance before this bout.

Welterweight Kid Tough, Virgin Islands, scored a TKO over Joe Basora Jr. (Ismael Garcia), in the seventh round. Basora ran out of steam after the fifth round.

Lightweight Gerardo Clemente scored a clean kayo over Sigfredo Diaz in 1:48 of the second with a solid left hook to the stomache. Featherweight Kid Pitito (Garrido), outpointed Ismael Nuñez in 4 rounds.

IN CURACAO
By V. Estario (Chick) Chittick

Promoter Angel Job staged a colossal program on the Rif Stadium.

The main attraction of the evening was between Sam Langford, 156, the Aruban Bulldozer, and Jack Johnson, 154, of Curacao. The fight went to the limit, but Johnson proved once more that he can beat any boxer that the Antilles has to offer in his weight. Johnson licked Sam easily and was awarded the fight unanimously. The only man Johnson has to beat now, and to prove he is unbeatable among the local boxers, is Sugar Boy Nando, who is presently touring the U.S.A.

In a ten round semi-final, Jolito Loper, 142, from Sto. Domingo, R.D. outpointed Wicho Galento Jr., 146, easily, forcing Wicho to fight his style, the veteran was given the fight unanimously.

Franklin Guerero, 135, beat Little Louis, 135, in six.

Ray Convey, 146, was stopped by Young Frido before the end of four.

Celsio Ramos, 148, and Felix Martina, 149, fought even for four rounds.

Less Diamond Kid, 128, was beaten by Baby Face Fullmer in four rounds.

▸ Promoter Angel Job staged a local program between promising boxers.

Before the main event of the evening, one minute silence was held for the late Cuban Boxer Benny Kid Paret.

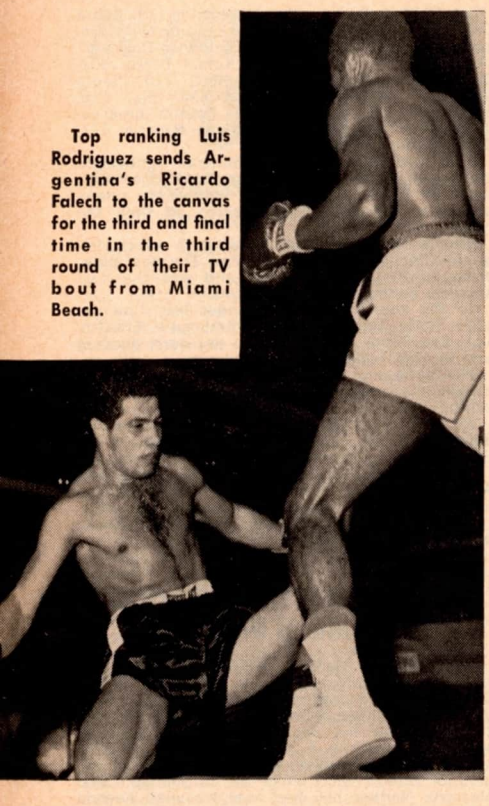
Papa Diamante Negro, 155, and Lio Valdez, 158, were the main attractions of the evening. Both boxers tried their best to give the public a good impression, but resulted in a very poor performance. Diamante Negro was given the fight by a split decision.

The best fight of the program was between Kid Zorzal of Aruba and El Negrito Del Batey from Bonaire. Both boys started to dish it out from the first gong to the last minute. Zorzal was given the fight unanimously.

In a six round between Vicente Piña, 137, and Floyd Patterson Jr., 139. Piña showed very poor sportsmanship by walking out of the ring before the decision was given to Floyd.

Shon Mi, and Joe Brown Jr., 144, split a four round.

Fighting Hubert, 132, won a split decision over Less Diamond Kid, 131.



Top ranking Luis Rodriguez sends Argentina's Ricardo Falech to the canvas for the third and final time in the third round of their TV bout from Miami Beach.

UNDER SOUTHERN SKIES
By Tom Ephrem

KEEP YOUR FINGERS CROSSED FOR JACKSONVILLE. PRO BOXING'S RETURN HERE IS JUST A MATTER OF A FEW WEEKS AWAY. Who should have faith to revive the industry in the most wonderful city but two of the top names around, Major W. H. Peeples, Jr., and that young man, Al Weill, of Miami Beach.

▸ Roger Whitley, after five straight wins by knockouts and technical knockouts just scored his most important victory to date. He was named heavyweight prospect of the month in the March issue of THE RING MAGAZINE. The heavy hitter is from Smithsfield, North Carolina.

▸ With every bout Luis Rodriguez appears in, the Cuban dynamo tries his doggonedest to show he belongs in there with the champion. Take the fight with Ricardo Falech, of Argentina, in the headliner at Miami Beach. Luis didn't give the invader a chance to show his wares. The Cuban, now making Miami his home, finished the job early and won by a TKO in the third round. Falech can thank Referee Billy Regan for the interference on the nationally televised clash. The Argentine tried accordingly to his talent but it was nowhere near that of Rodriguez. Luis had his foe down four times all-total, and a right hander was responsible for every visit. Rodriguez was heavier of the two by a half-pound. He came in at 147½. Attendance was 1,948. The gate: $3,429. Chris Dundee promoted. Santos Flores, 123½, evened up with Emile Garcia, 119, in their four rounder (a draw). Frank Patterson took a four from Jim Robinson, who was heavier by ¼ pound at 162. Harry Tetlow, 151, grabbed the sixer from Willie James, 149. Benny Marino, 149½, stopped Buddy Edenfield, 148½, in the sixth, and Marty Janchill, 153½, won his four from Troy Garvin, 152.

▸ Promoter Neil Composto featured Cedric (Sugar) Dennis in eight with Jim Beasley and the first named fighter won a close decision over his 146 pound Fort Lauderdale opponent at Little River Auditorium on March 22. Dennis, 143, is calling New York his home. Herbie Williams, 156, Miami, was the six round winner in a bout with Billy Hall, 161, of Norwood, Georgia, while another sixer went to Grady McLendon, 127, Dublin, Georgia over Nino Marty (or Marti), 125, of Puerto Rico. Moses Shaw, Miami, 139 pounder, outscored 142 pounder Joe Hadcof, of Massillon, Ohio, in four. Another four went to Lou Wooten, 149, of Pompano, with Stuart Duncan, 148, of Opa-locka, losing. Dick Lee did the matchmaking.

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▸ An eight round decision was wrapped up by Harry Tetlow, 154, of Miami Beach over Harry Lee Irwin, 148, of Pompano, at the Little River Auditorium in Miami, March 29th. Things turned a bit sour for "Sweet" Jimmy Robinson, 166, of Kansas City when he met up with Frank Patterson, 160¼. Their bout ended in the fourth round and Patterson proclaimed winner by a TKO. Harry Bellafonte, 155, Moultrie, Georgia, won a six round decision over Jimmy Vaughan, 154, of Homestead, unanimous. Weaver Gibson, 164, Opalocka, drew in a four with Lee Rahming, 163, Homestead. Moses Shaw, 140, Miami, stopped Dick Pospisil, 144, Miami, in round three. Dick Lee did the matchmaking for Promoter Neil Composto.

▸ It's Harry Tetlow again. This time, the Miami Beach 153½ pounder was the eight round winner over Willie James, 148, of Greenville, Florida in the top tilt at Little River in Miami. A sixer went to Wendell Newton, 194, of Nassau, over Jim Tillman, 218, of Macon. Grady McLendon, earned a six over Bobby Marrie (Dublin, Georgia and Miami, respectively). Troy Garvin, 147, Miami, won four from Moses Shaw, 143, Miami. Bryan Linder, Miami, took a four from Luis Rodriguez (not the welterweight contender, however). The latter pair are featherweights. Dick Lee in the matchmaker role for Promoter Neil Composto.

NEW ORLEANS BOXING
By Ike Morales

The unfortunate ending of Benny "Kid" Paret's title fight with Emile Griffith in Madison Square Garden has boomeranged around the globe. Members of the sporting circle, politicians and regular citizens have been discussing the incident seriously here.

Louisiana State Representative Francis Bickford of Tangipahoa Parish, said amateur boxing is fine, since it is closely supervised and the boxers wear protective head gear.

"But professional boxing is one of the few so-called brutal sports involving humans that's still left," said the state solon. "and should be abolished."

In answer to Bickford's statement, boxing commission chairman Emile Bruneau pointed out boxing results in less fatalities than in many other sports named, and therefore sees no reason why certain politicians should try and get the sport killed.

"It all happened three fights ahead of the Griffith fight," Bruneau said. **'Last April,"** Bruneau relates, **"Paret was knocked out by Griffith. He took lots of punishment. Five months later—September 30—Paret regained his title in a gruelling 15-round bout with Griffith, and he assimilated more punishment.**

"Then, less than three months after that, he was permitted to fight Gene Fullmer, and the cruel beating he took in that slaughter should have put him on the shelf for at least six months."

▸ Still perturbed by not getting the opportunity to win the world's welterweight title from Emile Griffith, the 26-year-old Ralph Dupas said he would quit the ring at the end of the year unless granted the chance.

And from all reasons and appearances, it looks like Ralph has a real beef coming. He has outranked Jorge Fernandez, the Argentine welter who has been promised the next title shot, for some time and is willing to meet Jorge in a sort of elimination fight to determine the next contestant for Griffith.

"What have I got to do to get a chance," spurted out Dupas. **"I've been told time and again I would get a title shot, but so far nothing has materialized. Before my fight with Charley Scott they told me if I won handily and was impressive I would get a title fight. Well, I won and the press told me I looked good beating Scott, but now I hear this Fernandez is going to get the next title fight.**

"Why not match me with Fernandez first. I'm willing. I've beaten practically every welterweight around, so what am I supposed to do next?" said the excited Dupas.

New Orleans lost a great sports figure in Philip J. Gaffney, Sr., who died on March 24 after a brief illness. At the time of his death Gaffney was chief clerk to Assessor James E. Comiskey. He was a former boxing promoter and matchmaker, and at one time was manager of several top professional fighters. For the past few years, Gaffney was appointed boxing judge by the La. State Athletic Commission.

▸ Otis Guichet, member of the state boxing commission, is back in full swing after being bedridden for several weeks with a heart ailment. At one time, Otis was co-manager with Bonny Geigerman of Bernard and Maxie Docusen.

DOWN ARIZONA WAY
By Al Fenn

ARIZONA FISTICUFFERS zeroed in on Nogales, Ariz. for an outdoor show in 40 degree weather. Gene Bryant, 165, Tucson and Ramon (Buffalo) Hernandez fought to a 10-round draw with Henry Armstrong refereeing. Hernandez weighed 166. A couple of preliminaries ended short. In one Adolph Pruett, 135 of St. Louis, stopped Dusty Brown, 133, Nogales in four, and Raymon Terazaz, 118, Mexico stopped Danny Medrano, 116, Nogales in three. Humberto Corrales won over Ramon Beltran, in 4 rounds.

▸ Boxing returned to Phoenix after a month's stoppage with Fred McWilliams, 152½ of Phoenix, and Willie Ross, 146¼, Phoenix resuming their feud. And the jinx of McWilliams over Ross—or the way the officials see it—was a repeat. McWilliams was on the deck, took some torrid shots but fired back with jabs and counter punches to take the nod in 12 rounds. This was supposed to have been a championship bout, with the welterweight title declared vacant. McWilliams didn't make the weight and his manager Slim Melton says he will campaign in the 160 pound class. Ross, needless to say, claimed the title. Chilo Carranza, 118, Tucson won a 6-round nod from Manuel Tarazon, 120, Hermosillo; Red headed Billy Burk, 150, Phoenix nabbed a decision over rugged Al Andrews, 148, Phoenix in 6; Raul Carreon, 127, Nogales, decisioned Willie Llanez, 125, Chihuahua in four; and Benny McCorvey, 149, made his pro debut a successful one by stopping Jose Guerema, 151, Nogales in two. McCorvey, 1962 Golden Gloves champion is from Phoenix.

▸ Stepping in as matchmaker to help promoter Paavo Ketonen is Johnny (Red) Burger. Burger replaces Paul Clinite who will continue in the boxing on a national and international basis. Paul has kept boxing alive in Arizona for the past 15 years. He has contributed more to the sport than any single person. He has met his obligations fairly and squarely, and can look any man straight in the face. As a result there is the largest number of boxers in the state's history busy in two Phoenix gyms, and one Tucson gym.

BUFFALO AND SYRACUSE
By Douglass P. Hovey

Tony LaBarbara undefeated local lightweight and the veteran Ike Chestnut, N.Y.C., battled to a draw in Memorial Aud. before a crowd of 1,434.

LaBarbara, never before going past six rounds, and in his first main event, proved himself a very worthy opponent for the cagy Chestnut. Pushing himself a full three minutes of each round.

Fernand (The Bull) Chretien, 131¾, of Toronto, Canada and Chico Velez, 134½, N.Y.C., went eight lively rounds to another draw in the semi.

Jimmy Ralston, 161, undefeated local middleweight, is proving himself the comer I have predicted him to be, winning at will, from Henry Turner, Syracuse. Jimmy suffered a compound fracture of the left thumb.

Local heavyweight hopeful Dick Wipperman, 192, drew with Dick Clark, 224½, Cortland, N. Y., 4 rounds.

Joey Giambra, 158, Buffalo won a unanimous ten round decision over Everardo Armenta, 156½, Las Vegas at Las Vegas, Nev.

Jackie Donnelly, local lightweight contender, looking good in gym workouts with Tony LaBarbara.

Vince Cala, undefeated lightweight, has opened a service station corner of Grant & Auburn.

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BOXING IN QUEBEC
By Louis Belanger

Boxing returned to the two of Three Rivers for the first time in many years and promoter Regis Levesque was rewarded with a fine turnout of 3,928 fans who paid over $9,000 to see Canada's heavyweight threat Robert Cleroux, 206, Montreal, dispose of Jim Wiley, 189, Philadelphia, in 2:02 of the second round. A right to the jaw dropped Wiley for the full count.

In the first of the two eight round semi-finals, Canadian Light Heavyweight King, Burke Emery, 175, Sherbrooke, won a split decision over young Regent Bergeron, 164, St. Johns. It was only the fifth pro fight for Regent who made a fine showing. In the other bouts, Fernand Simard, 145, Quebec City, made in three kayos in a row over game but outclassed Rejean Robert, 143, Three Rivers, as he stopped his man in the third round.

In other bouts, Jack Clements, 144, Montreal, defeated Arnie Sparks, 144, Winnipeg, 6; Yves Beauchamp, 137, Quebec City, won over Denis Bacon, 139, Three Rivers, 4; Gerry Roberge, 147½, Three Rivers, defeated Paul Tremblay, 151, Montreal, 4; and Noel Dallaire, 160½, Quebec City, whipped Rene Beaudet, 164, Three Rivers.

The success of the show has encouraged the promoter and more boxing shows will be held in Three Rivers.

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BOXING IN JAPAN
By D. D. Dean

Mitsunori Seki stopped Featherweight Katsuyo Nakamura in the 5th of a 10 rounder with a powerful left upper-cut to the chin after flooring twice in the 3rd and 4th.

Sadao Yaoita, Orient Fly Champ, outpointed visiting Bantam Cuate Sanchez in a one-sided 10 round bout at Korakuen. There was no knockdown, but the visitor took a lesson in fast boxing which the crowd thoroughly enjoyed.

Orient Jr. Lightweight Champ Yukio Katsumata defeated Lalo Guerrero of Mexico.

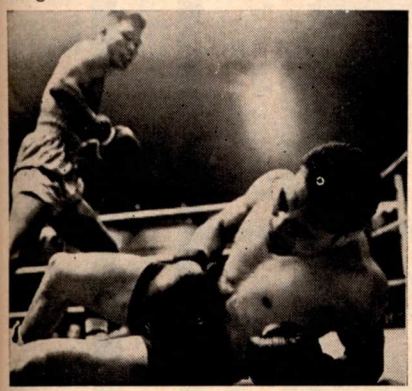
Japan's second ranked Fly Hiroyuki Ebihara decisioned Takeshi Nakamura in a televised 10. It was Ebihara's 14th victory in a row.

Yuji Masuko, number one ranking Featherweight Japan, decisioned visitor Pepe Morales.

Japan Lightweight Champ Teruo Kosaka scored a lop-sided decision over challenger Kenzo Sihamura in a punishing 10 round title match at Korakuen. It was Kosaka's 33rd straight win in Japan. The 21-year-old Champion chased his man from one corner to the other in a savage offensive from the 4th through the 10th. It was Kosaka's second successful title defense.

Thai featherweight Champ Isorasak Pantainorsin scored a split decision over Japan Bantam ranked Akira Oguchi in a 10.

Yoshihiko "Fighting" Harada chalked up his 24th consecutive win over veteran Tadao Kawamura in a 10 rounder decision. Harada is now holding number one position in the Japan Fly listings.



Thai visitor Keowan Yontrakit, Orient Jr. Middle Champ kayoed powerful Middle Takao Maemizo in the second of a schedule 10 rounds. Popular Maemizo was on the canvas five times much to the chagrin of his many fans.

FIGHT OF THE MONTH—Sadao Yaoita, Orient Fly King and Joe Medel, contender for the World Bantam title. Nine thousand enthusiastic fight fans packed the stadium for this much publicized go which failed to provide the anticipated action. Medel's effective straight jabs deterred Yaoita's vaunted rushes and closed both his eyes in the last rounds. On the other hand, Medel's fabled right flashed only once in the whole show. There were no knockdowns and the best the fans could say was that they had seen two excellent boxers in a 10 round "sparathon." Medel has two more scheduled fights in Japan.

FROM THE PHILIPPINES
By Felipe J. C. Galang

Flash Elorde, world junior lightweight champion at 135, had successfully defended his Oriental lightweight crown by knocking out Somkiat Kiatmuangyon, 135, Thailand, in 23 seconds of the second round in their title bout at the Rizal Open Arena.

Somkiat came out in the 2nd round fast. He landed a left and a right to the head that infuriated Elorde. A right to the jaw sent the Thai to the floor. The challenger tried to stand up at the count of eight but his rubber legs could not hold on until referee Willie Pep, former world featherweight champion had taken the toll.

Naven Kid, 114¼ won over Lory Articulo, 115, in the 10 round supporting main event. Naven dropped Articulo for an 8-count in the 8th round with a right uppercut to the chin. Referee Al Cunanan and Judge Alex Villacampa voted in favor of Naven, while Judge Peewee Trinidad decided a draw.

Emil de Leon, 123, beat Kid Pio Tatel, 126, in 8 rounds. This was the best fight of the evening. Tatel was better in the exchanges but he was warned several times for hitting below the belt. That caused his defeat. Numer (Small Dave) Lozada, 116, outpointed Joe Espinosa, 119, in 6 rounds. David Asuncion, 107, bested Dio Espinosa, 112, in 6 .

Ric Magramo, 113, kayoed Waling Waling Boy, 112, in 2. Virgilio Villacina, 109, halted Rody Froilan, 110, in 3. Sid Javellana, 120, won over Peter Fernandeo, 120, in 6. Joe Canonaso, 118, beat Elpidio Magcali, 120, in another 6 rounder. Rody Dequino, 125, and Nonie Lumagsad, 123, drew in the opening 4 round curtain raiser.

Jet Bally, 126, became the newly crowned featherweight champion of the Philippines by stopping titlist Little Cezar, 125¾, in the 11th round at the Rizal Coliseum under a new promoter, Pocholo Bereciarte. The southpaw challenger dropped Cezar with a left to the body for a one-count in the second round and was leading by a slight margin in the early rounds.

In the 9th and 10 rounds, Cezar bleeding from the nose and mouth, right eye closed by a huge blister and left eye practically shut, did the do-or-die rally but to no avail. The referee, Totoy Reyes came to Cezar's rescue when he found that the champion could hardly see in the eleventh round.

Antolin Padilla, 109, bested Segismundo Macalalad, 115, in 6. Flash Virgilio, 119, outpointed Tony Bardog, 117, in 6. Melly Sagarino, 125, defeated Carlos Yatco, 126, in another 6 rounder. Leo Lamaca, 112, halted Boy Francisco, 110, in 1. Ely Axinto, 109, kayoed Sixto Brucello, 106, in the 1st round of the curtain raiser.

Curly Aguirre, 118, kayoed Dommy Balajadia, 118, in the 5th round at the Rizal Coliseum under the promotion of Armando Besa. A short right to the chin did the trick in 2:30.

Fil Mendy, 117, stopped Kid Tacio, 116, in the 9th round. Tacio was leading the early rounds but was sent to the floor in the 8th with a right for a 6-count and saved by the bell. In the 9th, Mendy was the master of the situation until the referee halted the fight to save Tacio for unnecessary punishment just 30 seconds of the round.

Romy Sison, 115, defeated Leo Zulueta, 113, in 10 rounds. This bout almost created a riot since the decision of the referee and one of the judges failed to meet the approval of the 8,000 fans, who booed and hissed the verdict of the two officials. Majority believed that Zulueta should have won.

Ben de Villa, 132, bested Rudy Preocho, 130, in 8 rounds. Al Cantara, 128, halted Hermie Magbanua, 125, in 2. Fel Pedranza, 133, outpointed Dick Carlos, 133, in 6. Jess Dabu, 136, decisioned Kid Johnson, 126, in another 6 rounder. Ricardo Orosa, 111, stopped Emil Murillo, 113, in 2 of the opener.

Steve Tony, who is recognized middleweight champion of the Philippines kayoed old timer Dommy Roxas, 150, in 6 rounds in Naga City, Camarines Sur. The knockout of Dommy proved that boxing is no longer a sport for him after a long layoff. Baby Valle, 130, knocked out Max Florence, 129, in 8 rounds. Romeo Rendor, 114, drew with Small Carding, 115, in 6.

Terry Flores, 142, and former welterweight champion of the Philippines halted Mighty Bargan, 140, of the Philippine Army in the 8th round of their 10 round event in Angeles, Pampanga.

BOXING NEWS FROM HAWAII
By Ted Yamachika

Well known, nationally ranked lightweight L. C. Morgan, 145, of Youngstown, Ohio, was held to a draw by a comparatively unknown Filipino fighter, Rocky Kalingo, 144½, in a ten round fight held at the Civic Auditorium. The fight was a brawl with thrills to spare. What was expected to be an easy one for Morgan, in view of his 2nd round KO win in their previous meeting, turned out into an evenly matched, free-swinging battle.

Both fighters went down and came back fighting more than once. The hardest punch of the fight was thrown by Kalingo in the sixth. It was a right to the jaw and it floored Morgan for probably the only real knockdown of the fight. This punch really started the fireworks and the two fighters fought like demons thereafter. Morgan went down three more times and Kalingo, twice in the next two rounds, but these falls resulted more from physical exhaustion than anything else.

The fight was promoted by the Boxing Enterprises, Ltd., drew 2,293 fans and grossed $5,248.00.

Henry Mailolo, 142½, knocked out Speedy Henderson, 137, in the 3rd of 6. John Santos, 140, outpointed Bobby Allan, 139½, 5 rds. Salvador Gonsalves, 131¼, TKO'd James Costa, 129¾, in the 3rd of 4, Bernard Soares, 137¾, beat Kid Wolgast, 137¼, 3 rds.

Pete Rademacher beat Carl "Bobo" Olson easily in a ten round fight at the Honolulu Stadium. It turned out such a mismatch, it proved uninteresting. Veteran observers thought it really dull. Rademacher, at 206½ and outweighing his opponent by more than 25 pounds, fought nearly all the way with one hand, his left, but even at that piled up enough points in 10 rounds to win going away.

The decision in his favor was unanimous and lopsided. Referee Walter Cho scored it 49-41, while the two judges, Louis Freitas and Wilbert Minn, had scores of 49-42 and 50-43 respectively.

Except for the fifth, Rademacher won every round.

The fight, the first outdoor bout in several years, was promoted by the Boxing Enterprises, Ltd., and drew 5,935 fans and grossed $22,431.00.

John Santos, 142½, beat Jo Jo White, 144¼, 6 rounds. Baby Brown, 130½, TKO'ed Eddie Edwards, 128½, in the 6th and final round. Xavier Santos, 124¼, decisioned Ula Seva'aetasi, 125¼, 3 rounds. George Santos, 140, knocked out Charles Lopes, 144¼, in the 1st of 3.

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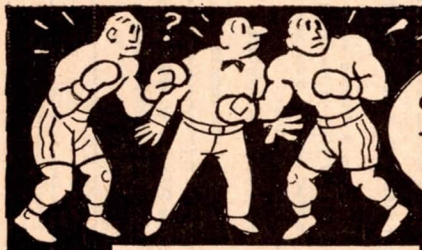

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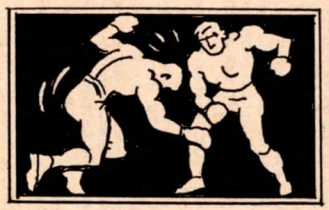

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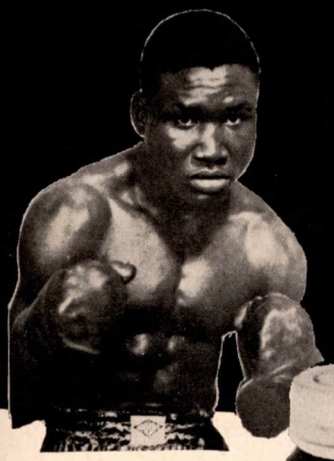

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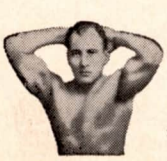

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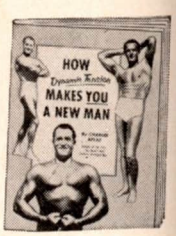

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